

NAZI PLANES MAKE 3 DAYLIGHT RAIDS ON BRITISH BASES

Battleship Iron Duke Is Damaged; Royal Oak
Was Sunk at Her Base; British Claim
Two Bombers Shot Down

LONDON, Oct. 17 (UP).—German bombing planes staged three lightning raids on the vital British naval base at Scapa Flow in the Orkney Islands today while British planes and guns battled Nazi air raiders up and down the East coast.

In the first daring raid on Scapa Flow, off the northern tip of Scotland and a wartime rendezvous of the British fleet, the Nazi planes bombed and damaged the World War battleship Iron Duke, flagship of Admiral Lord Jellicoe in the Battle of Jutland.

The Iron Duke, now a training ship, was damaged close by the spot where a Nazi U-boat crept through the supposedly impenetrable mine fields and nets of Scapa Flow Saturday about 1:30 A.M. and sent the battleship Royal Oak to the bottom with a toll of more than 800 lives.

The admittedly "remarkable exploit" of the German U-boat in penetrating the Scapa Flow defenses was revealed belatedly today in Parliament.

ALL IN DAYLIGHT

The first raid by about four German planes was at 10:30 A.M. There was another raid before noon and a third attack about 12:30 P.M.

Two of the German planes were shot down in flames, it was announced. Meanwhile, Royal Air Force planes and anti-aircraft batteries were battling Nazi planes which invaded the east coast, sending residents of a score of cities and towns scurrying for air raid shelters while alarm sirens shrieked.

Two German planes were shot down off the east coast, the air ministry announced, and the crew of one of the Nazi ships was rescued.

Air raid alarms were sounded in towns all the way from the mouth of the Thames, east of London, north to the Firth of Forth at Edinburgh where German planes attacked the British fleet yesterday, damaged three warships slightly and claimed a toll of 17 dead and 46 wounded.

"Two enemy aircraft observed off the northeast coast were engaged by R.A.F. fighters and both were shot down by our fighters and fell into the sea," the air ministry said. "The crew of one has been rescued. Our aircraft returned safely."

GERMAN VERSION

OF AIR ATTACK
BERLIN, Oct. 17 (UP).—Scapa Flow was raided again by the Germans today, this time from the

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Overwrought Nerves Blamed for Norway 'Sinking Story'

KRISTIANSTAD, Norway, Oct. 17.—Investigation of reports of a fire and explosion at sea today led observers to attribute the incident to "overwrought nerves" after a Coast Guard ship failed to find any evidence of a stricken ship or survivors.

Coast residents at Augland said a series of explosions and fires last night indicated a tanker might have been sunk at sea but no wreckage, oil or any indication of a wreck were found today.

'Let 'em Have It,' Readers Write

Judging by the letters we have been receiving, our readers greet with enthusiasm the exposes the Daily Worker has been making of the Dies Committee and its slimy collection of "experts." A reader from Denver, Colorado, hails Elizabeth Flynn's blistering article "Ben Gitlow, Informer" with a contribution of \$10 for the Daily Worker Sustaining Fund.

He writes: "Enclosed is a donation of \$10. Give them hell. Give Elizabeth Gurley Flynn my best regards. I like to read her stuff. I once met her in Seattle when she was a youngster—back in 1907."

Another reader praises the publication of the "splendid manifesto of the underground Communist Party of Germany," and adds that "it is amazing how little the German Social-Democrats have learned. They still reject unity, and they

now are banking on Chamberlain and Daladier to overthrow 'Hitlerism' for them."

A reader in Pittsburgh, enclosing a check for \$2, calls the Daily Worker "a life-saving and indispensable oasis of clarity in a vast desert of unprincipled capitalist intrigue."

This is the spirit that dominates the flood of letters that come to our offices every day.

Our readers like their paper. They believe in it. They want to guarantee its maintenance. They back up their convictions with tangible, material support.

You, who are reading these lines—have you done your share?

DO SO TODAY. Send your contribution to the Daily Worker, and help in the great fight of the people against the enemies of peace and progress!

Raiders from the Air



THE BRITISH NAVY took the brunt of Nazi air raids during the past few days. After damaging a British cruiser at Edinburgh, the German air forces raided Scapa Flow (1) Tuesday. Tell was the damaging of the warship Iron Duke. On Monday a German U-boat crept into carefully watched Scapa Flow and sent the battleship Royal Oak to the bottom with a volley of torpedoes.

Mayor Charges Milk Pact Made Before Witnesses

Replies to Baldwin's Assertion That Settlement
Was Made on 2.08 1/2 Basis; Union
Leader Hits Betrayal

Replying to assertions by Charles H. Baldwin, executive secretary of the Metropolitan Cooperative Milk Producers Bargaining Agency, Mayor LaGuardia last night declared that the milk price of \$2.15 per hundredweight was agreed upon "in the presence of at least 20 people."

The Mayor's sharp refutation of Baldwin's claim that "there was no settlement on a \$2.15 per hundredweight" came as he boarded a plane for Rochester last night.

Baldwin defended the Federal-State Marketing Order setting \$2.08 as the rate per hundredweight supplied for the metropolitan area.

The \$2.15 settlement came as a result of the strike of dairy farmers last August. Baldwin's attack upon the Mayor was issued at Hotel McAlpin where the United States and New York Departments of Agriculture are now holding hearings on the question.

Baldwin's statement was also attacked by Archie Wright, chairman of the Dairy Farmers Union, which has a membership of 17,000 producers.

"It was clearly understood," Wright said, "that producers were to get \$2.15. The distributors got their milk back on this basis. They are now reneging on the price."

He said that unless the \$2.15 is paid the milk industry will face another farmers' strike.

Increased War Action Delights Wall Street

Delighted at the news of intensified warfare, Wall Street speculators were very active today and leading industrial shares rose from 1 to 5 points in heavy trading.

This marked a contrast to the nervous trading of the past few days when speculators were ruffled by rumors of peace and the talk of another "peace scare."

As shells fell and ships sank, Wall Street enjoyed the heaviest trading since September. Especially active were chemicals, steel and aircraft stocks, in which large profits were made. Farm machine companies also rose in price, auguring bad news for the American farmer when he tries to buy new machinery next season.

Polish Jews Flock to Enter Soviet Area

The Associated Press, in a dispatch from Moscow yesterday, reported "an increasing flood of Jewish refugees" from German-occupied parts of the territory of the former Polish state into the Soviet-protected areas, western Byelorussia and western Ukraine. The Associated Press said the number of refugees were estimated at from 500,000 to 1,000,000.

"The population of Bialystok, normally 100,000, is said to have been nearly doubled by refugees. Wilno, which Russia gave back to Lithuania, was also said to be jammed," the A.P. reported.

"Russians here say the Red Army is receiving the Jews cordially and providing work for them."

SCOTTISH RAILWAY WORKERS BACK SOVIET PEACE STAND

Turkey, USSR To Continue Discussions

Saracoglu Leaves for
Home After Exchange
of Views

ANKARA, Turkey, Oct. 17 (UP).—The Cabinet met in extraordinary session late today to consider the Soviet-Turkish negotiations and the return of Foreign Minister Sakru Saracoglu from Moscow.

President General Ismet Inönü presided at the session which was attended by the president of the National Assembly, Abdulkhalik Renda and the chief of the general staff of the army, Marshal Fevzi.

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Oct. 17.—Turkish Foreign Minister Sakru Saracoglu returned today for Ankara after a series of conferences with Soviet Government leaders on steps to maintain peace, and it was announced that Turkey and the Soviet Union would continue discussions on questions of joint interest.

During his stay here, Saracoglu conferred with Soviet Premier and Foreign Commissar V. M. Molotov and with Joseph Stalin. He was returning a visit of Soviet Vice-Foreign Commissar Vladimir Potemkin to Ankara earlier this year.

Tass, the Soviet news agency, said the Saracoglu-Molotov conferences "again confirmed the invariably friendly relations between the Soviet Union and Turkey and the common striving of both governments to maintain peace."

The Tass announcement on Saracoglu's departure said:

"The stay in Moscow of the Turkish Minister for Foreign Affairs, Saracoglu, who was paying a return visit to the U.S.S.R., provided an occasion for a comprehensive exchange of views between the representative of the Turkish government and the government of the Soviet Union regarding the relations between the U.S.S.R. and the Turkish Republic."

"The exchange of views took place in a cordial atmosphere and again confirmed the invariably friendly relations between the Soviet Union and Turkey and the common striving of both governments to maintain peace."

"The two governments reached the conclusion that it is desirable to maintain contact also in the future for a joint discussion of questions of interest to the Soviet Union and the Turkish Republic."

Mayor Charges Tory Frameup To Injure City

GOP Leader Moffatt and
Some Democrats Joined
to Cut Revenue

Mayor LaGuardia charged yesterday that Assemblyman Abbott Low Moffatt, Republican chairman of the Ways and Means Committee in the State Assembly, had joined with Democratic "opponents of good government" in an attempt to "bankrupt the City of New York."

He addressed his remarks to a luncheon of the New York Young Republican Club held in the Lawyers Club, 115 Broadway.

Assemblyman Moffatt had spoken to the club last week, asserting that

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Five Convicted In Minneapolis WPA Charges

MINNEAPOLIS, Oct. 17.—Five out of eight WPA workers who were on trial here on charges growing out of the strike last July for restoration of prevailing wage rates, were convicted here today.

The eight were the first of 168 who were indicted on charges of "conspiracy" to violate the Federal Relief Act (the Woodrum Act). The jury acquitted one and the court directed verdicts of innocence against two others.

The trial stretched for two weeks.

Labor Party Groups Flay Imperialist War



GEORGE BERNARD SHAW



J. B. S. HALDANE

USSR Secured Finland's Independence Since 1919, Kalinin Tells FDR

Answer to Note Explains That Conference Is for
Mutual Protection Against Warmakers, Pro-
vocative Press Lies to the Contrary

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17 (UP).—President Roosevelt disclosed today that President Mikhail Kalinin of the Soviet Union had advised him that the Soviet negotiations with Finland are designed solely to consolidate and strengthen friendly relations between their two countries and in no way can be interpreted as a threat to Finnish independence.

Kalinin's message was in answer to a personal note from Mr. Roosevelt.

In his reply, dated Oct. 16, Kalinin said he considered it "appropriate to remind you . . . that the state independence of the Finnish Republic was recognized by the free will of the Soviet Government on Dec. 31, 1919, and that the sovereignty of Finland was guaranteed to it by the peace treaty of Oct. 14, 1920" between the U.S.S.R. and Finland. Reciprocal relations between the two countries always have been conducted upon the basic principles of these facts, he added.

CO-OPERATION THE AIM
"The present negotiations between the Soviet Government and the Government of Finland are also being conducted in conformity with these principles," he wrote. "Despite the tendentious versions which are being disseminated by circles evidently not interested in European peace, the sole aim of the negotiations . . . is the consolidation of the reciprocal relations between the Soviet Union and Finland and a strengthening of friendly cooperation between both countries in the cause of guaranteeing the security of the Soviet Union and Finland."

Prior to making the exchange public, Mr. Roosevelt told a press

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Washington Oct. 17 (UP).—Chairman David I. Walsh, D. Mass., of the Naval Affairs Committee told the Senate today that repeal of the existing ban on arms shipments to belligerents would be "tragic" and might involve the United States in the European war.

"We who are against repeal are primarily opposed now to a parade of war weapons from America to Europe," he said, "because we never again want to witness the parade of dying and maimed American youths that emerged from the world war from Europe to America."

Walsh declared that "instead of pleading here in the Senate for traffic in arms or war profits, we should be militantly resisting every

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Marcantonio Tells Dies He's Menace to Liberty

Dickstein Assails Krivitsky as a 'Phony' Before
House, Denounces Dies

By Adam Lapin

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 17.—Rep. Vito Marcantonio told the Dies Committee today that suppression of the civil liberties of the Communist Party would result in "undermining" American democracy.

After repeated requests, the fighting New York Laborite was given a chance to appear before the committee in his capacity as President of the International Labor Defense to answer charges that the organization is "dominated" by Communists.

"I accept responsibility for every act of the I. L. D. since I took office in 1937," he declared emphatically. "I took office as president with the distinct un-

derstanding that this was going to be a non-Communist organization and that understanding has been maintained."

Marcantonio flatly challenged the committee's campaign designed to deprive the Communists of their constitutional rights of free speech.

"As long as they keep within the constitution," he said, "they are entitled to the right to unite, organize and advocate Communism. If you deny them that right you are undermining the constitution."

He said that he knew that Secretary Anna Damon and Vice-President William Patterson of the I. L. D. were Communists, and added that the organization did not bar anyone from holding office be-

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Shaw, Haldane Call for
Immediate End
of Hostilities

PEACE POLL TAKEN

Welsh Miners Strike
for Wage Boosts,
Textile to Act

By Philip Bolsover

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

LONDON, Oct. 17 (Passed by Censor).—A vigorous call to the British people to demand an immediate cessation of the imperialist war by supporting the peace initiative of the Soviet Union was issued today by the North Scotland District Council of the National Union of Railwaymen.

"This meeting of delegates, believing that the government is waging an imperialist war, demands an immediate cessation of the hostilities," said a resolution adopted by the council.

"We give full support to the Soviet Union in its policy of endeavoring to unite all countries in a peace bloc."

"We call on our branches to work for the immediate defeat of the government and to elect a government which will cooperate to the fullest with the Soviet Union in its efforts for peace."

Similar resolutions have been voted by Labor and union organizations throughout the country, despite the stand taken by the official Labor Party and Trades Union Congress.

The influential Ayrshire Federation of Labor Parties, representing 50,000 members, passed a resolution urging a world peace conference and demanding that the government define its war aims.

POLL SHOWS PEACE DESIRE

A questionnaire on peace sent by the London Daily Worker to prominent persons has brought indications of the wide support for the Communist Party campaign to end the imperialist war.

George Bernard Shaw, the great playwright, repeated in his reply to the Daily Worker his previous stand for immediate peace. "The sooner the order is given to cease fire and turn up the lights, the better," he said.

H. G. Wells, the famous liberal author, urged the freest public discussion of the war aims, but opposed an armistice now.

Prof. J. B. S. Haldane, one of Britain's outstanding scientists, called for immediate peace.

Meanwhile, the British working class is becoming increasingly active on the industrial front to protect its economic conditions against the employers' offensive.

WAGE BOOSTS DEMANDED

Ten thousand miners in North Wales voted by a 19 to 1 majority to strike for wage increases and union recognition.

In the cotton textile mills 350,000 workers are awaiting the employers answer to their demand for a 20 per cent wage boost. The National Miners Federation is demanding increases for 600,000 miners.

Government circles are uneasy, fearing that this may be the beginning of a much bigger movement to break the official Labor and TUC efforts to hold the workers back in war-time.

Meanwhile, official representatives of the TUC today met the British Employees' Federation to discuss establishment of an industrial council to advise the government on war-time organization of labor. The official leadership is thus continuing its policy of a tie-up with the government and the employers.

But they cannot ignore the workers' demands, which are fully justified by the cost of living index figures issued yesterday.

They show a general cost of living increase of 6.5 per cent. Food prices in particular are soaring. Sugar is up 47 per cent, eggs 19 per cent, fish 29 per cent. Clothing costs are up 7 per cent.

British Gov't Admits Cost Of Living Climbs Rapidly

LONDON, Oct. 17 (UP).—Costs of living in England have increased 10 per cent since September 30, the Ministry of Labor reported today.

Germany Can Survive British Blockade, Izvestia Declares

Compare Germany's Position in Naval Forces and Open Trade Channels with 1914

MOSCOW, Oct. 17.—British hopes of completely blockading Germany in the present war are vain because of Germany's open land frontiers and the inaccessibility to the Baltic Sea to the British fleet, the newspaper Izvestia declared today in a review of the war on the sea.

"In the six weeks that have passed since the declaration of war on Germany by Britain and France, naval operations, as distinct from land operations on the western front, have developed on quite an extensive scale," said Izvestia.

"Both sides are employing all possible means for execution of objectives adopted. At the beginning of the present war, the relationship of forces between the British and German navies in respect to surface ships of all classes were far less favorable to Germany than in 1914. The German Navy did not yield place to the British in only a single category of naval armaments. Germany had about 50 submarines and more than 20 units of this class were in the process of construction.

COMPARES FLEETS
"The number of British submarines ready and in the process of construction was approximately equal to the number of units of this class possessed by Germany.

"The relationship of forces between the two opponents, particularly the overwhelming superiority of the British surface fleet over the German, excluded the possibility of an attempt by the German Navy to achieve decisive results in battle against the main forces of its opponent.

"German submarines are waging a quiet vigorous war against the merchant shipping of the enemy, primarily Great Britain. In the short lapse of time since the outbreak of the war, German submarines have not only inflicted considerable damage to enemy merchant shipping, but have also struck with considerable force at the British Navy. Thus they have clearly shown that they constitute a quite real menace even to the main forces of the British Navy.

"Great Britain is using the overwhelming numerical superiority of its surface fleet in an attempt to enforce a naval blockade of Germany by paralyzing the German naval communications in the North Sea and in the Atlantic.

BLOCKADE NOT COMPLETE
"Many German merchant ships, caught by the war in ports of neutral countries, are now cut off from Germany by the Anglo-French blockade and have been interned. However, the naval blockade of Germany is by no means complete. Enemy warships have been unable until now to penetrate into the Baltic and are not at all likely to be able to do so in the future.

"Germany can maintain without hindrance its maritime communications with the countries of the Baltic basin, receiving in particular the Swedish iron which it needs. The international political situation in general excludes at the present time a complete blockade of Germany, despite all enemy measures and the superiority of the enemy naval forces.

"This is the exceptionally fundamental difference between the present war and the war of 1914-18. Germany can now receive raw materials which it needs for war purposes through its land frontiers. In this connection, tremendous significance attaches to Italy's neutrality. As a neutral, Italy has unhampered maritime commerce with all countries and acts as an intermediary in supplying Germany with requisite strategic materials (oil, rubber, cotton, non-ferrous metals, etc.).

SOVIET-GERMAN TRADE PACT
"Furthermore Germany now touches directly upon another great power which maintains neutrality toward the war now taking place—the Soviet Union. The Soviet-German amity pact of Sept. 28 established the frontier between the state interests of the U. S. S. R. and Germany. At the same time an economic agreement was concluded whereby the U. S. S. R. will supply Germany with raw materials which Germany on its part will deliver to the U. S. S. R. necessary industrial equipment.

"In these conditions, a complete blockade of Germany by its opponents with all the overwhelming superiority of their surface fleets is not possible.

"Great Britain and France could make this blockade tighter by violating the lawful trading rights of the neutral countries, which would inevitably lead to new international complications.

"The calculations of the opponents of Germany on undermining the military-economic resources of this country by a long, drawn-out blockade, after the example of the last

Nazis Bomb British Navy Base 3 Times

Royal Oak Was Sunk At Anchor in Scapa Flow

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air, and a British battleship was struck by heavy and medium bombs. It was announced officially. One British pursuit plane was shot down by German bombers. The High Command announced and all German planes but one returned safely.

The text of the communique: "On Oct. 17 German air force units proceeded to Scapa Flow. Units of the British battle fleet lying in the bay were attacked successfully. Among other warships one British battleship was hit by bombs of heavy and medium calibre. In the ensuing air battle one enemy pursuit plane was shot down by our bombers.

"Despite the heaviest enemy anti-aircraft fire all German machines except one returned to home fields safely."

The High Command issued the following communique: "In the course of yesterday, French troops evacuated the greater part of German territory hitherto occupied by them before our fortifications and retired behind their frontier.

"British naval forces yesterday were again successfully attacked. Two British warships in the Firth of Forth were struck by (airplane) bombs of the heaviest size. This success was achieved despite the heaviest enemy defense by anti-aircraft fire and pursuit planes.

"During the defense of German territory yesterday five enemy planes were shot down, including two British planes.

"The commerce war in the North Sea and the Baltic attained valuable results.

"According to British sources, in the Atlantic seven ships totaling 54,396 tons were sunk between October 15, including the large French tanker Emile Minguet.

"According to reports of the German U-Boat captain, the torpedoing of the battleship Royal Oak and the (battle) cruiser Repulse occurred in Scapa Flow."

Wright Plane Co. To Expand for War Orders

PATERSON, Oct. 17.—The Wright Aeronautical Corp. announced today that "to meet current demands for military and commercial production" an additional building with 300,000 square feet of floor space will be erected here.

The Italian Ambassador, who succeeded Count Dino Grandi at the Court of St. James, will present his credentials to King George VI tomorrow.

Turkish Group In Moscow to See Farm Exhibit

(Special to the Daily Worker)
MOSCOW, Oct. 17.—A Turkish delegation on the way to Moscow to visit the Soviet Agricultural Exhibition landed in Odessa yesterday from Istanbul. They were the Turkish Agricultural Minister, Mukhlis Erkmen, deputies Sukru Esmer and Sadri Ertim, and the woman writer Suad Dervish.

Egypt Prepares

CAIRO, Oct. 17 (UP).—A law establishing a "state of siege" in Egypt was adopted by the Senate tonight by a vote of 68-10 after its introduction by the government.

Crisis Increases Need For Funds, Says Forbes

County Executive Secretary Declares Its 'Simple Arithmetic'—Harlem and New York Tie; Kings in Lead

Declaring that financial needs are in direct ratio to the amount of political work which has to be done, Henry Forbes, executive secretary of the New York County Committee of the Communist Party today urged Manhattan members to fulfill their drive quotas now.

The \$250,000 budget and the one hundred-day slogan were formulated before the outbreak of imperialist war and the sharpened crisis of capitalism, Forbes pointed out.

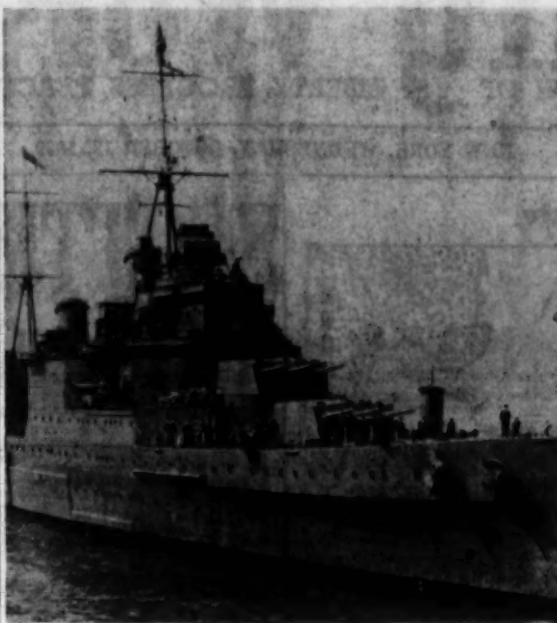
"If we are to meet our vastly increased responsibilities," he said, "we will have to intensify our fund raising. This is simple arithmetic."

Three of the largest sections of Manhattan have already gone on record for immediate completion of drive quotas. These are the 1st A.D., 10th A.D., and 12th A.D.

Meanwhile, the seventh week of the financial campaign yielded \$11,642.75. While \$3,000 less than was collected the preceding week, this figure represents an increase over earlier weeks.

KINGS LEAD MENACED
Kings barely maintained its lead over the other four boroughs with a \$2,000 collection while Harlem and New York County tied for second place. Bronx County, with \$2,000 for the week, is rapidly closing

Hit by Bomb



The British cruiser Southampton was hit by a bomb from a German warplane during Monday's air raid on the British naval base at Rosyth, near Edinburgh. A bomb which glanced off the ship's bow wounded three men.

U-Boat Captain Tells of Scapa Flow Exploit

Relates Eluding Submarine Barrage, Sinking Royal Oak, Damaging 'Repulse' and Escaping to Open Sea

BERLIN, Oct. 17 (UP).—Captain Prien of the German submarine which torpedoed two British warships in the Scapa Flow today related his daring feat on his return to Germany.

After penetrating the mine barrage, Prien said, "I saw ahead of me two large battleships lying to the north."

"Without delay," he continued, "we loosed one torpedo, which was followed by a tremendous water spout as it apparently hit the first ship—the Royal Oak."

"A few minutes later we loosed another and then another and another. Then we saw one water spout after another, followed by a series of huge explosions—with white, red and green lights in a fireworks display such as I have never before seen.

"Pieces of deckwork, masts and smokestacks flew up into the air, giving the impression that the entire ship was completely blown to smithereens.

BELIEVES 'REPULSE' HIT
"After the smoke of the explosion cleared away I sighted the second ship lying slightly southward of the other. There is no doubt in my mind that this must have been the Repulse. We loosed another torpedo and saw another huge waterspout.

"My next thought was to get away. We did not want to be captured and spend the rest of the war in a prison camp. So we went out again past the submarine barrage. As we escaped into the open sea we could hear dull thuds, sounding like depth charges, and at the same time saw searchlights played on the water.

"Apparently the British thought we were still inside the harbor."

British Liner Slips Into Port, 1,059 Aboard

The Cunard-White Star liner Samaria, well camouflaged, poked out of the thin mists in the lower bay and docked yesterday after a zig-zag voyage from England.

The liner carried 1,059 passengers, including 259 Americans. There was one submarine scare but it turned out to be a porpoise. Among the passengers was Hugh Gibson, former American Ambassador to Belgium who reported no more appeasement sentiment in England "but no hatred either."

Foster Speaks in Detroit Nov. 9 on U.S. and War

City Elections and Smashing Defeat of Mayor Reading Is People's Answer to War Mongers, Says Michigan Communist Leader

(Special to the Daily Worker)

DETROIT, Oct. 17.—William Z. Foster, National Chairman of the Communist Party of the U.S.A., will speak in Detroit Thursday, Nov. 8, at 8 P.M. He will speak on "How to keep America Out of the Imperialist War." The meeting will celebrate the 22nd anniversary of the founding of Socialism in the Soviet Union and will be held at Finnish Hall, 469-14th St.

Elmer Johnson, state secretary of the Michigan Communist Party in announcing the meeting stated that, "the reactionary warmongers of our city have been rebuked in the last primary elections with the swamping of Mayor Reading by the progressive City vote against reaction."

"These same forces," said Johnson, "are responsible for the fact that the Communists' Party is barred from all city buildings and halls in the city, they are also responsible for sweeping attacks

CHINESE FOLLOW UP VICTORY WITH ATTACK ON RAILROAD

Series of Mutinies Harass Japanese Puppet Regime; Mutineers Battle Japanese Garrison, Then Flee to Hills

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

CHUNGKING, China, Oct. 17.—Following the Japanese defeat on the Changsha sector of the Central China front, the Chinese forces were reported in military dispatches today to have shifted the center of their attacks to the sector west of the Nanchang-Kiukiang railway in northern Kiangsi Province.

Air Marshals Watched Raid, Sirens Silent

EDINBURGH, Scotland, Oct. 17 (UP).—Everybody was busy watching yesterday's German air raid in the Firth of Forth that nobody sounded the air alarm, and as the result there was considerable explaining today.

Scottish Air Raid Precaution authorities said that the order to sound sirens should have come from the National Defense Center.

Another explanation was that people heard that there would be big Royal Air Force exercises yesterday, and that when the German planes came over it was thought they were part of the show.

Guns Aboard Athenia, Says Passenger

Ship Was to Have Been Converted into Sea Raider, He Says

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17 (UP).—

The British liner Athenia carried a cargo of guns for Canadian defenses when she was sunk on the day war was declared, and subsequently was to have been converted into sea raider, Gustav A. Anderson said in an affidavit filed with the state department, it was disclosed today.

Anderson, travel bureau operator at Evanston, Ill., stated that his information was based on his own observations and on conversations with the Athenia's officers and men whom he knew personally. He was aboard the ship when she was sent down on Sept. 3. The chief officer, a man named Copeland, told him that there were "plenty" of guns in the ship's hold, Anderson declared.

The affidavit stated, however, that no guns were mounted on the Athenia when she was sunk, although she was reinforced heavily for gun mountings.

Secretary of State Cordell Hull said at his daily press conference that the affidavit gave him the first intimation from any source that the Athenia carried guns. Hull and his aides are investigating the disaster in which 28 of the more than 300 Americans aboard were not accounted for. Hull said full details of the inquiry would be published when it is completed.

Caribbean Union Holds Meet Here Tomorrow

A mass meeting sponsored by the Caribbean Union and supporting organizations, to discuss the present European war and its relations to the West Indian people, will be held tomorrow night at 8:30 P.M. at the St. James Presbyterian Church, St. Nicholas Ave., at 141st St.

Among the speakers who will address the meeting are: Dr. P. M. H. Savory, Rev. William Lloyd Innes, Dr. Charles A. Petioni, Hon. William T. Andrews, Rev. E. E. Durant and W. A. Domingo.

Visits First Lady



Helen Gin Chin Kuo, Chinese journalist and author who arrived here aboard the Exeter from France, will visit Mrs. Roosevelt at the White House during a six months' tour of the United States. Sure China will win, she told reporters.

Food Shortage Alarms Tokio, Rice Crop Low

Main Crop, Hit by Drought, Is Cut by 40 Percent

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

TOKYO, Oct. 17.—The Japanese press today reported with alarm the growing sharpness of food supply difficulties in Japan.

An acute rice shortage is anticipated this year on top of a shortage in other essential foodstuffs.

The rice crop in Japan proper this year is estimated officially at 205,000 tons below last year's harvest. Because of a drought in Korea no supplies can be expected from that Japanese colony, which has suffered a 40 per cent rice crop decrease.

Japan's total rice supply this year will be only 12,320,000 tons at the best, though last year's consumption, not counting rice consumed by the army of occupation in Manchuria and China, was 13,880,000 tons. Somewhat over a million tons must be laid aside annually for the army rice reserves.

Baltimore C. P. to Hold Anti-War Meeting

BALTIMORE, Oct. 17.—Martin Chancy, City Secretary of the Communist Party of the District of Columbia, will speak on "Whose War Is It?" at the Workers School Auditorium, 222-24 W. Franklin St., Friday, 8:15 P. M.

Brazil Buys U. S. Gold

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17 (UP).—The Treasury has sold \$3,000,000 worth of gold to the Brazilian government to stabilize exchange between the two countries, it was disclosed today.

at the FRONT

The horror of war has burst over Central Europe. News comes to us through shell-fire and smoke screens, through a barrage of charges and counter-charges. And when the smoke clears, it is obvious that today, as always, those who understand the news are those who read the Daily Worker.

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Fair Plans 5c Kids Day; Plans for 1940 Announced

Admission of children of school age to the World's Fair for a nickel was approved yesterday. Fair officials expressed the hope of shattering recent high attendance marks on the day picked, Friday, Oct. 27.

Under the urging of Mayor LaGuardia, certain grades of the elementary and high schools are expected to be closed on the day to permit all students to visit the Fair. The Mayor has recommended to the Board of Education that a school holiday be declared for the schools, but the board has not reached a decision on just what classes to dismiss.

The final approval was given yesterday by the Fair's executive committee, which set a flat admission rate of five cents for all children under 14 and ruled that high school students bearing notes from their teachers could enter the grounds at the same price.

Harvey D. Gibson, chairman of the board of directors, announced that the Fair would open for its second season on May 26 and would close on October 27 next year.

While the current season will have lasted 185 days by the closing date at the end of this month, the 1940 season will last only 156 days.

Parleys Resumed At Chrysler Plants

Frankenstein Charges Speedup Is Menace to Health of Workers; Lockout of 50,000 Continues as Talks Go On

(Special to the Daily Worker)
DETROIT, Oct. 17.—Representatives of the United Automobile Workers, CIO and Chrysler Corp. today resumed conferences in an effort to arrive at a new contract as the lockout of nearly 50,000 of the firm's employees continued.

Yesterday's conference centered around responsibility

C.P. in Yonkers Pushes Drive To Elect Haas

Sound Truck Tours City, Krumbein to Speak November 2

YONKERS, N. Y., Oct. 17.—The Yonkers City Committee of the Communist Party has nominated its chairman, Louis G. Haas for the Yonkers City Council, has gone into high gear as election day approaches.

A sound truck with large signs calling for "First Choice" for Louis G. Haas is cruising the streets of this Westchester industrial city daily broadcasting its message of Keep America Out of War and Haas' program of more housing projects, cash instead of voucher relief, and lower taxes for the people.

A rally is to be held November 2, with Charles Krumbein, State Secretary of the Communist Party as the main speaker.

With Haas in the field, and Maurice Cossart, Vice-President of the county CIO Council and member of the Transport Workers Union, and the Reverend Ver Lynn Sprague running with ALP sponsorship and Garrett Fitzgerald, member of the AFL bricklayers' union running as an independent, the working people stand to get real representation in the new City Council.

Campaign Activities of Councilmanic Candidates

WOMEN TO HEAR CACCHIONE FRIDAY

Peter V. Cacchione, Communist candidate for the City Council from Brooklyn, and Margaret Cow, member of the National Committee of the Communist Party, will share the platform in a discussion of profiteering and the women's

role in the coming elections, Friday night, Oct. 20, at the Lorraine Hall, 790 Broadway, Brooklyn, near Sumner Ave.

The meeting was called by the Communist Party of Williamsburg and Ridgewood to protest against the rapidly rising cost of living.

RALLY TONIGHT TO HEAR CACCHIONE

Peter V. Cacchione will face a number of other Brooklyn councilmanic candidates before a membership meeting of the Borough Hall District Workers Alliance, at 359 Jay St., tonight, on the issues relating to recovery and aid for the unemployed.

William Abrams, of the editorial staff of the Jewish Morning Freiheit, will speak in Yiddish tonight in behalf of Cacchione's campaign at Brighton Center, 3200 Coney Island Ave.

This afternoon Cacchione will address two meetings of women's groups at Seagate and Coney Island.

Tomorrow is a big day in Cac-

AMTER ON EAST SIDE TONIGHT

Israel Amter, Manhattan Councilmanic candidate of the Communist Party, will appear along with other invited candidates before a meeting under the auspices of the

East Side Jews of the Workers Alliance, tonight at Hemmington Hall, Second St. and Avenue B.

Following speeches by the candidates, those attending will take a secret ballot on their first choice.

The candidates will be asked to state their views on the issues affecting recovery and aid to unemployed.

MUSICIANS TO HEAR AMTER TODAY

At 3:30 P.M. today Amter will address a rally of musicians called under the auspices of the Communist Party, at Union Methodist Church, 229 W. 48th St.

chione's campaign, with the mass meeting at Livingston Manor, Livingston and Schermerhorn streets, the largest event. Mother Ella Reeves Bloor and C. A. Hathaway, editor of the Daily Worker, are among the speakers.

Inside Brooklyn

By Peter V. Cacchione

Kings County Communist Candidate for City Council

It is high time that administration and congressional leaders in Washington took a firm stand to halt the rise in the cost of living which is being stimulated by war profiteers.

Throughout the wholesale market salesmen are shouting, "Prices are going up, prices are going up." Shopkeepers are advertising, "Buy now and beat the price rise."

With very, very few exceptions, every one of these price increases is entirely unjustified. A thorough congressional investigation could easily establish that the monopoly capitalists of this country are seeking to reap super-profits out of a war situation.

I was given a notice the other day which was sent out by Pakas & Co. of 15 Exchange Place, in Jersey City. Pakas and Co. seems to think that the stock of Botany Worsteds Mills is a good buy right now. Why? I'll let the Pakas announcement tell you. It says:

"Inventory position (of Botany) as of June 30, 1939 was \$4,759,919. The sharp rise in wool should show Botany a very large profit."

You bet it should. Now neither I nor Pakas & Co. are making up price lists for Botany. But Pakas is taking a very keen interest in Botany stock and seems to think that Botany is going to get a lot more for the wool it already owns than it planned on getting.

Labor knows that an increase in the cost of living is equivalent to a wage cut. Our living standards are already threatened by the demands for longer working hours which have recently been voiced by the president of the United States Chamber of Commerce.

The workers of the United States are no more interested in being bled white on the economic front to give super profits to our monopolists than they are to being slaughtered on the battlefield for the same purpose. War profiteers are war mongers.

Our City Council can do its share to expose profiteering. From all sides there should be a strong, militant demand on our local, state, and national governments that war profiteering be halted, and that the war profiteers be prevented from dragging us into war.

As Bronxites See It

By Isidore Begun

Bronx County Communist Candidate for City Council

Workingmen and women must learn very quickly in these fast-moving days to take care of their own interests. It is dangerous to let others speak for you. It is best to be there and speak for yourself.

On Monday of this week the State of New York and the Dept. of Agriculture of the U.S.A. called a public hearing, to discuss any and all amendments to the federal-state milk marketing agreement. This agreement sets the prices farmers get for their milk. Indirectly and unofficially it determines how much we in the city pay for the milk, butter, cheese and milk products.

The hearing room in Center Street was crowded to the doors. Lawyers to the right of you, lawyers to the left of you and lawyers in front of you expounded law, figures and arguments. A quiet little lady from the Milk Consumers Protective Committee, Mrs. Archie Wright of the Farmer's Union and myself seemed to be the only ordinary people there.

The whole milk industry was present. Big dealers and little dealers—cheese-makers, ice cream manufacturers and condensation owners—all there to see to it that their interests were protected.

I could not help thinking that the workers in the trade unions, the unemployed, the housewives and the kids themselves, who had more at stake than anybody else, were the ones who should have crowded the room. Behind all the technical language, behind all the suggested changes of paragraphs, sections and articles, the welfare of the people was at stake. Milk has just gone up again. The milk trust is coining money. The people are paying.

The real decision, however, is not permanently made in the hearing rooms. The price of milk can be brought down if in the neighborhoods milk committees get busy. News of meetings, petitions and protests should reach the proper ears at Albany and Washington.

Have a Light, Says AFL to CIO



CIO mechanics and AFL salesmen picket together in front of the Hudson Terminal salesrooms on Broadway here. There's no division of labor between these two pickets from each union.

Housing Expert Says Low Rent Homes Aid Business

Robbins Tells Social Workers Conference Those Who Oppose Projects Only Consider the 'Superficial Facts'

ROCHESTER, Oct. 17.—Low rent housing programs are "good business" in addition to the social benefits which result from improving the conditions under which low income families live, according to Ira S. Robbins, counsel to the State Superintendent of Housing.

Speaking here today before the New York State Conference of Social Workers, Mr. Robbins declared that there is increasing evidence that such programs may benefit businessmen and real estate investors.

Robbins said he wanted to approach the question in terms of the businessman and taxpayer.

"In many communities," he said, "a good part of the opposition has come in the past from some of the real estate and business groups, because they have considered only some of the superficial facts. In many places that type of opposition is dwindling because of some of the other facts which have recently become clearly evident."

"Let's make up a balance sheet," Mr. Robbins said. "On the debit side we find blighted and substandard areas piling up municipal operating costs, and depreciating capital investments and cutting down the revenues of both the property owner and the community so that both have less money to do business with."

"The beneficial effect of a low rent housing project is felt over a wide area," Mr. Robbins declared. "That has been demonstrated very plainly in the last three or four years."

"As a result of the construction to be financed with state funds the community is likely to collect more in taxes from the site of the project than it did before. Our new state law requires that taxes be paid on the value of the property with its improvements at the time it was acquired for the project."

"The people who object to low rent housing projects are the very ones who have to pay the additional taxes which the city must collect because of tax delinquency, depreciation of values and the high cost of providing services for the sub-standard areas."

"These are facts. They go beneath the surface objections which are so frequently cited in opposition to housing programs. Another argument is frequently heard, principally from those engaged in real estate, is that public housing competes with private enterprise. That, I think is one of the myths that has been exploded with a loud bang in the last couple of years."

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Andrews Out, Army Man Gets Pay-Hour Post

Col. Fleming Won't Have Title Because of Technicality

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17 (UP).—

President Roosevelt today announced the resignation, effective yesterday, of Wage Hour Administrator Elmer F. Andrews and detailed Col. Philip Fleming of the Army Engineers to take over Andrews' post.

Because of a technicality in Army regulations, Fleming will assume the duties of the wage-hour administrator, but not the title.

Andrews will have a position on the engineering staff of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

Presidential Secretary Stephen T. Early said that Fleming will be assigned as assistant to the acting administrator of the Wage-Hour Division in the Labor Department. This designation, Early said, complies with Army technicalities. Actually, however, Fleming is being assigned to the Labor Department to take over Andrews' duties and his minor title will be only nominal, Early indicated.

THANKS ANDREWS

Andrews, chief of the Wage-Hour Administration since its creation, resigned effective yesterday without comment. Mr. Roosevelt wrote in reply:

"In accordance with the request in your letter of Oct. 16 I hereby accept your resignation as administrator of the wage and hour division of the Department of Labor, effective, insofar as active duties are concerned, at the close of business on this day."

"Yours was the task of pioneering in the new field of responsibility authorized under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938."

"The position carried with it all of the peculiar complexities incidental to a new undertaking and I desire to assure you of my heartfelt appreciation of all you have done to make the new division operate smoothly and efficiently and in the best interests of all concerned."

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CIO WINS WAGE-HOUR PACT WITH POSTAL

17,000 Employees Get \$1,000,000 Annual Benefit Through Agreement; Drive on Western Union Continues

Postal Telegraph-Cable Company and the American Communications Association, CIO affiliate in the communications industry, yesterday reached an agreement on the application of the Wages and Hours Law to the 17,000 employees of the company effective Oct. 24, resulting in additional benefits of approximately \$1,000,000.

The terms of the agreement reduce the work week to 44 hours for day workers, 42 hours for early night workers, and 41 hours for late night workers without any reduction in the net weekly income. Time and one-half is to be paid after 42 hours work per week. The weekly wage for all employees is the same as previously received for working 48 hours.

The agreement further guarantees the 30 cents per hour minimum wage to telegraph messengers as provided for by the Wages and Hours Law effective Oct. 24. The company had filed for exemption from the law and in respect to the minimum wage for messengers, but upon the signing of this agreement has withdrawn its application for exemption. For the first time in the history of the industry the messengers, like the adults under the Postal-ACA contract, are given a guaranteed work week.

Joseph P. Selly, vice-president of the American Communications Association, who headed the union's negotiating committee, commented on the agreement as "the proper interpretation of the Wages and Hours Law in accordance with the spirit and intent of the law—a reduced work week without reduction in the weekly income of the workers."

SLAMS WESTERN UNION

Mr. Selly accused the Western Union Telegraph Co. of attempting to get a "free ride" on Postal Telegraph's application for exemption from the 20 cents hourly pay for messengers. "Western Union," said Mr. Selly, "withheld its application because any exemption to Postal would have exempted the entire telegraph industry from the provisions of the law. Western Union would have argued for the exemp-

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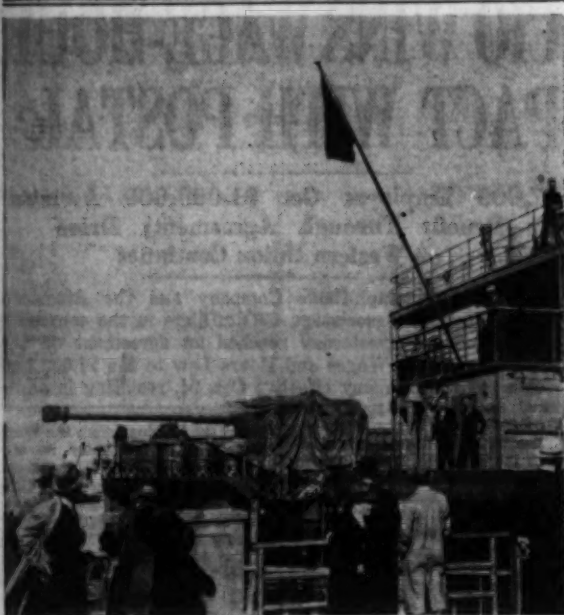
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BRITISH LINER CROSSES ATLANTIC UNDER "LAMP-POST TO LAMP-POST" PATROL: The Cameronia arrives in New York with a 6-inch gun mounted astern. Beneath the weapon's barrel are "smoke cans." As the ship made the crossing she was advised of the submarine situation by units of a chain of British patrol boats which extended from Europe to America.

Marcantonio Says Ban on CP Would Wreck Democracy

I.L.D. President Declares Civil Liberties of All Must Be Preserved; Dickstein Denounces Dies Before House

(Continued from Page 1)

cause of their political views.

He answered questions concerning his own political philosophy by stating that he is "opposed to all forms of dictatorship, including Communism, fascism and socialism because I believe in capitalism."

Marcantonio's defense of civil liberties was followed by a scathing denunciation of the activities of the Dies Committee on the House floor by Rep. Samuel Dickstein of New York.

Dickstein assailed the committee for calling "general" Krivitsky as a witness.

Repeating his charges that the committee was not making a real investigation of Nazi activities, he said that he could not see why the committee was "taking all this testimony about things happening in Russia 13 years ago while they're doing nothing about the German Nazi Youth movement right here in the United States."

WARES TO SELL

Krivitsky is "nothing but a phony," Dickstein said. "He is an alien in this country. He is here to sell his wares. He prepared articles for certain publications and a libel suit may grow out of this." Apparently referring to the Saturday Evening Post, which ran a series of articles by Krivitsky, Dickstein declared that "the committee is letting itself be used by a magazine so that it could avoid a libel suit."

GITLOW TO RESCUE

The committee attempted to counter the effect of Marcantonio's testimony by putting on the witness stand its prize stool-pigeon, Ben Gitlow, who was expelled from the Communist Party some ten years ago and is now attempting to cash in on his former associations.

Gitlow, who originated the story about diamonds from Moscow, produced similar fantasies today and followed up with a direct demand for the suppression of the Communist Party.

"You cannot consider the Communist Party in the United States a political organization because it is not a political organization," he said. "They cannot claim for themselves the right of legitimate political parties."

Today's sensation by Gitlow was a bizarre theory designed to explain why the Communist Party in this country explained the Nazi-Soviet non-aggression pact along the same lines as the Communist Parties in England and France. That all three parties follow the same principles of Marxist analysis apparently did not occur to the committee's ace renegade.

He said that he was "told that an investigation was made in all cable offices" to see if the Communist Party had received any cables from the Communist International at Moscow concerning the pact.

Gitlow admitted that no such cables had been found, but this simply confirmed him in the belief that they had been sent.

FANS WAR HYSTERIA

He then went to the president of the A. F. of L. Commercial Telegraphers' Union, who, he alleges, told him that "it was a simple matter to receive radio messages from Moscow if the Communist Party has radio operators aboard ships." Gitlow says that he then "investigated" the American Communications Association, a CIO affiliate, and discovered that it is "dominated" by Communists.

The "explanation" that Gitlow offered was that the American Communications Association had transmitted the alleged messages from Moscow.

No proof was offered concerning any of these speculations, and none was demanded.

Gitlow then took up the cudgels

against the National Maritime Union, another CIO affiliate. He repeated the false assertion that Joseph Curran of this union is a member of the Communist Party and added that "all members of the executive board are also Communists."

Working in a little war hysteria, Gitlow said that these unions "in time of war can cripple the ships of the United States."

He backed up his statement that the Communist Party controls the I. L. D. with "evidence" of the same sort. He produced alleged "minutes" of Communist Party discussions concerning the I. L. D., which the committee did not attempt to check or verify.

Another statement eagerly accepted by the committee without any attempt at checking was his assertion that Robert W. Dunn, treasurer of the I. L. D., is a member of the Communist Party.

SUPREME COURT, TOO

Marcantonio had told the committee that he knew that Dunn was not a Communist, but as soon as Gitlow made his statement Dies began to refer to the I. L. D. treasurer as an "admitted Communist."

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"There's a difference between subscription and application," Marcantonio retorted.

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NO DEFENSE FOR SPIES

Marcantonio declared that the I. L. D. defended Communists because "Communists have always been the victims of persecution." He said that no cases of persecution of anyone else by Communists had been called to the attention of the I. L. D., and that it would have to consider any such cases on their merits.

Marcantonio told the committee that one reason the I. L. D. did not defend Nazis was because of "Nazi espionage in industry and elsewhere."

"I am opposed to all kinds of espionage whether Communist espionage, fascist espionage or whether it is Wall Street espionage," he said in response to questions. "I'm for punishing spies as much as you are."

Another reason why the I. L. D. had not defended fascists, he said, was that fascists are "anti-labor."

"Do you consider the Communist Party anti-labor?" Rep. Dies asked.

"No, I consider it party of the labor movement," Marcantonio replied.

He said that he would not support resolutions condemning Communists at the next convention of the I.L.D.

After a whispered consultation with Rep. Jerry Voorhis, Dies asked Marcantonio his opinion concerning what he termed a "purge" of Communists in the American Labor Party.

"I'd rather not comment on American Labor Party politics," Marcantonio said, explaining that his primary duties were as Congressman in Washington.

Asked to name organizations of which he is a member, Marcantonio mentioned the Italian Holy Name Society and the P. H. La Guardia Political Club.

Quill Opens Campaign as 3,000 Cheer

Bronx Councilman Is Hailed in Fight for Underprivileged

Councilman Michael J. Quill, President of the Transport Workers Union, opened his campaign for reelection to the City Council as an Independent Labor candidate last night at Hunts Point Palace, the Bronx before a cheering crowd of more than 3,000 persons.

During his absence from the city as a delegate to the CIO convention in San Francisco Quill was nominated by petitions signed by more than 27,000 of his Bronx constituents.

When Quill entered the hall he was given a hearty ovation by the crowd.

James E. Oshagan, chairman of the Committee of 1,000 for the reelection of Quill, presided at the meeting.

Harry Sacher, counsel for the T.W.U., was the first speaker of the evening. He declared that no voice more eloquent than Quill's had been "raised in New York for the underprivileged."

"There is no candidate in the present election," Sacher said, "who will stir the whole city, let alone his own county, the Bronx, as Quill will."

Sacher lauded Quill for welding a unity of national groups in the Bronx in the fight against intolerance.

Other speakers at the rally were Louis Netel, President of the Hunts Point Civic Association and prominent Jewish leader in the Bronx; Elmer Brown, President of the "Big Six," International Typographical Union; and Lucile McGorkey, president of the New York district of the State, County and Municipal Workers Union, CIO.

Amen Starts Prosecution's Case on Martin

ALBANY, Oct. 17 (UP).—Special

Prosecutor John Harlan Amen began presenting prosecution testimony today in the removal trial of Kings County Judge George W. Martin after a rebuttal witness contradicted Martin's version of events in 1927.

The prosecution opened the second of six charges on which a Brooklyn Grand Jury seeks Martin's ouster after the Senate by a voice vote barred Amen's attempts to introduce "opinion" evidence on the outcome of earlier investigations of Martin's business dealings.

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"Do you consider the Communist Party anti-labor?" Rep. Dies asked.

"No, I consider it party of the labor movement," Marcantonio replied.

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USSR Secured Finland's Independence Since 1919, Kalinin Tells FDR

Answer to Note Explains That Conference Is for Mutual Protection Against Warmakers, Pro-vocative Press Lies to the Contrary

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conference that he had no comment to make and that he believed the Kalinin note spoke for itself.

The text of the communications between President Roosevelt and President Kalinin follows:

ROOSEVELT'S MESSAGE

President Roosevelt on October 11 to President Kalinin: "The President of the United States sends his greetings to President Kalinin with the following personal message:

"While the United States is taking no part in existing controversies in Europe, the President wishes to call attention to the long standing and deep friendship which exists between the United States and Finland. He feels that he can call this to the attention of President Kalinin because of their joint efforts a number of years ago which resulted in the resumption of friendly relations between the Soviet Union and the United States."

"Such being the case the President expresses the earnest hope that the Soviet Union will make no demands on Finland which are inconsistent with the maintenance and development of amicable and peaceful relations between the two countries, and the independence of each."

"The President feels sure that President Kalinin and the Government of the Soviet Union will understand the friendly spirit in which this message is sent, and intends to President Kalinin an expression of his highest consideration."

(Signed) "Franklin D. Roosevelt."

KALININ'S REPLY

President Kalinin to President Roosevelt on October 16:

"Mr. President: I thank you for your greetings and for the friendly sentiments expressed in your message transmitted to me on October 12."

"I consider it appropriate to remind you, Mr. President, that the State independence of the Finnish Republic was recognized by the free will of the Soviet Government on December 31, 1919, and that the sovereignty of Finland was guaranteed to it by the peace treaty of October 14, 1920, between the Russian Socialist Federated Soviet Republic and Finland."

"By the above mentioned acts of the Soviet Government the basic principles of the reciprocal relations between the Soviet Union and Finland were defined. The present negotiations between the Soviet Government and the Government of Finland are also

being conducted in conformity with these principles.

"Despite the tendentious versions which are being disseminated by circles evidently not interested in European peace, the sole aim of the negotiations referred to above is the consolidation of the reciprocal relations between the Soviet Union and Finland—and a strengthening of friendly co-operation between both countries in the cause of guaranteeing the security of the Soviet Union and Finland. I beg you, Mr. President, to accept the expression of my deep respect."

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Mayor Charges Tory Frameup To Injure City

GOP Leader Moffatt and Some Democrats Joined to Cut Revenue

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there had been a "gentleman's agreement" between the City Administration and the State Legislature favoring adoption of the unpopular State cigarette tax.

The Mayor vigorously denied that such an agreement had been made. "I read there was a gentleman's agreement with the City of New York that the City would not impose a cigarette tax," he said sarcastically. "Surely none was made with the Mayor, none was made with the Comptroller, none was made with the President of the Council."

The Mayor assailed the action of the Legislature in adopting the 2-cent cigarette tax which was added to the 1-cent city tax.

"Gentlemen," he declared, "we didn't know anything about that tax until late at night when it was passed. Since when did the Legislature consult New York City, whether it had a Republican or Democratic majority?"

LaGuardia charged that slapping the additional cigarette tax on the people, Mr. Moffatt "showed lack of imagination to go out and find resources" and insisted he had shown this lack of imagination when it took the City's 3 per cent utility tax.

"That is not either statesmanship nor good government," he continued. "Then we imposed a cigarette tax of 1 cent and along they came at the end of the legislative session and they added 2 cents on that."

He pointed out that after the State Legislature had stolen the cigarette tax, he had urged the Council to abolish the city tax if other revenue for relief could be found within the law. This the Council did not do.

"I begged on bended knees," the Mayor asserted, "for a three-year period so the city could have a longer taxing period."

"But the attempt is now being made to bankrupt the City of New York. The Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee is working with the opponents of good government."

"They have arbitrarily taken \$5,000,000 from our school system. Without notice, I repeat, it was taken and we were left high and dry. Unless the Legislature does the honorable thing and reimburses us, other cuts will have to be made to further impair our school system."

"This wizard of finances, the chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, comes here and attacks the Board of Education. Well, I want you to meet the members of the Board of Education. It is the best board the City ever had. And there's not a politician on it and they can all read and write."

The Mayor proceeded to attack the Moffatt state budget, saying:

"There's not a page boy in the Legislature that didn't know the Moffatt budget is unconstitutional. Why, even the elevator man told me it was unconstitutional."

He also attacked Moffatt and his colleagues for blocking a power bill, which would have permitted construction of a city-owned power plant and added:

"If Mr. Moffatt wants a scrap I've assigned one of the first-grade clerks in my office to take it up with him."

The Mayor was then questioned from the floor and asked what he thought about Moffatt's statement to the effect that he could eliminate \$5,000,000 from the City Board of Education budget.

"Let him try it," the Mayor replied. "That's a typical Moffatt statement."

Another questioner asked: "What is being done to stimulate business so no unemployment relief would be needed?"

LaGuardia replied: "You wouldn't be looking for a new candidate for Mayor if I could do that."

Big Air Lines Anxious To Use North Beach Port

Eastern Air Lines revealed yesterday its urgent desire to utilize the facilities of the New York Municipal Airport at North Beach, Mayor F. H. LaGuardia announced.

American Airlines, T.W.A. and United Airlines as well as Canadian Colonial have already made arrangements to use the Municipal Airport as their terminal and operations of these major lines are set to begin shortly.

Death Notice

McMAHON—Oct. 16th, 1939

At her apartment, 508 W. 11th St. ARLENE B. McMAHON, also known as Eileen Douglas, age 35 years. Beloved daughter of John B. McMahon of Little Falls, N. J. Stephen Merritt Burial Co., 234 Funeral—Private under auspices of Eighth Ave.

Some delay Monday when union truck drivers refused to unload because non-union men were hauling some of the furniture.

At 4:30, however, when it was apparent that great inconvenience would be caused the families the union men agreed to begin working. Housing authorities were enabled to start their fumigating program promptly at six o'clock as had been plan

Union Movers Pitch in

The first eighty-five families of the Queensbridge Houses of the Federal Housing Project in Queens moved yesterday.

The families left the slum dwellings they had been living in Monday and placed their furniture in the new homes. They could not begin occupancy, however, until everything had been fumigated.

The 85 are the first of 3,149 families which will eventually occupy the apartments in the project. On Monday 180 more families will be moved in and during the following week 80 more will be admitted.

UNION MOVERS HELP

The remainder will move in as soon as the unfinished units of the project are completed. There was

TAMMANY BLOC BURIES REFORM BILLS IN COUNCIL

Quill Casts Decisive Vote to Save Mayor's Veto on Dumping; Fusion-Labor Welfare Measures Tabled by Democrats

The Democratic majority of the City Council, taking inspiration from Bronx-Flynn Democrat Charles E. Keegan, yesterday blocked consideration of a dozen Fusion-Labor consumer and welfare bills that have been buried in committee for more than a year.

Among the bills which the majority, through a parliamentary trick, kept from the floor were the meat grading bill and a local law requiring uniform weight for bread sold at retail to consumers.

One by one the Fusionists and Laborites moved their bills be discharged from committee.

Following each motion, Councilman Keegan arose and moved that the measure under consideration be tabled, thus blocking debate.

One by one motions to consider the welfare and consumer bills were tabled by a majority vote.

Minority Leader Andrew R. Armstrong, opposing the action, denounced the majority as "reactionary forces which are defeating the interests of the people of the city."

The Council, with John F. Nugent and William A. Carroll, Manhattan Democrats, voting with the Fusion group failed to override Mayor LaGuardia's veto of the Burke Bill prohibiting garbage dumping on reclaimed land areas of the city.

QUILL'S VOTE DECISIVE

The vote of Councilman Michael J. Quill, Bronx Laborite, was the deciding vote in favor of the Mayor's position on the dumping question.

Quill's name was read low on the roll call and the anti-LaGuardia forces waited for Quill to follow his Bronx colleague with a "yes" vote. But he cast a "no" vote and the veto was upheld.

The form of dumping opposed by the Burke law is the same as was used to fill land at the present World's Fair site.

The vote to override the veto was 17 to 7, falling by one vote of a two-thirds majority with two Councilmen, George Backer and Louis Hollander, Laborites, absent.

Councilmen Quill and Armstrong were the only two Laborites who supported the Mayor. Ninfo and Belous cast their votes with the opposition.

Echoes of the European war and a bit of war mongering resounded in the Council chamber near the close of the meeting when Councilman Joseph T. Sharkey, Brooklyn Democrat, introduced a resolution declaring that the "President of the United States has declared the existence of a national emergency" and asking that the Mayor and the Board of Estimate take action to have set up in the city 200 anti-aircraft guns.

Sharkey then brought about a flurry of laughter when he asked adoption of a resolution congratulating "The Boy Rangers of America" for their "distinguished undertaking in enlightening the youth of the country," but when asked for information on the organization he was unable to enlighten the councilmen as to its functions.

The meeting ended with a bit of pre-election flag waving. Councilman William M. McCarthy, Brooklyn Democrat, introduced a resolution requiring all public buildings to display the American flag. It was adopted, despite the fact that all city buildings display the flag.

In the debate Councilman Armstrong said: "I'll go along. We're for the flag."

At which point Councilman Surpless, Republican, leaped to his feet and charged the flag was being "ridiculed."

Armstrong shot back: "This is a flag waving campaign just before elections. If these buildings were neglected, why bring it up at this late date. I don't need a flag wrapped around me to get elected."

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Mr. Dies and M. Blum Help the French Warmakers

The press of France's 200 rich ruling families is lauding the Dies Committee, French war profiteers who are driving the masses into slaughter find the Dies Committee's rats useful against the peace movement, headed by the Communist Party which was suppressed by the war instigators.

That the French imperialists have to reach all the way over to Washington for red-baiting material now is proof that the masses in France are rejecting the home-made pretexts for the vehement anti-Communist assaults.

We wonder whether the French people are told that one of the choice rats in the Dies collection, the so-called Gen. Krivitsky, came to the United States on the recommendation of the war-monger Social Democrat, Leon Blum?

While the French monopolists were praising the Dies inquisitors, M. Blum was engaged in one of his filthiest campaigns.

Now that the Communist Party had been suppressed and Communist legislative deputies imprisoned and could not, as Blum put it, "speak against the war," this Socialist misleader proposed that the French Chamber of Deputies be called into session. For what purpose? To give the masses the illusion of "democratic" processes. Blum pointed to the Chamberlain Parliament as a "model."

The masses of France are in a discontented mood. They want to know why the war is going on, what it's all about, and why the Communist Party was so brutally suppressed.

M. Blum, in behalf of war-mongering French imperialism, now proposes that the people be deluded with talk-fest parliamentary sessions from which Communists are excluded. More. The Social Democratic traitor Blum urges all parties thereby to "strengthen their understanding." Which means that Blum & Co. want to draw closer to the direct representatives of big capital and to strengthen his ties with the Doriot and de la Rocque fascists.

M. Blum having led the French monopolist witch-hunters against the Communist Party is ready to do his bit to keep the French people blinded so that they can all easier be led to the slaughter for the gain of the 200 rich ruling families of France.

Handcuffing Bill of Rights

The case of the 163 indicted WPA workers in Minneapolis merits the active support of all who are determined to defend American civil liberties.

The arrest of 11... men and women grew out of the recent fight initiated by the building trades unions against the Woodrum relief bill and for the restoration of the prevailing wage. Because they walked off the job in protest against an iniquitous piece of legislation and because they urged other workers to join them in the walk-out, these 163 workers are now charged with "conspiracy."

The arrests of these workers were carried out in an atmosphere of staged terror. Warrants were issued in secret. Arrests were made in the still of the night. The innocent workers were marched down the streets in handcuffs.

In these days when civil rights are being attacked everywhere behind a war hysteria, the Minneapolis WPA workers, in their fight for freedom, are fighting for the civil rights of all of us.

The Milk Trust at It Again

Mayor LaGuardia's strong indictment of "politics" and "shenanigans" against the latest activities of the milk trust will meet the approval of farmers and consumers alike.

It was just two weeks ago that the Borden-Sheffield monopoly raised the consumer price of milk three-quarters of a cent, and then lyingly placed the blame on the recent farmers' strike victory. But even after raising the price, the trust now refuses to pay the agreed price to the farmers, in fact, steals it from them. Instead of the \$2.15 per hundredweight which the strike agreement calls for, the trust paid the farmers \$2.085, quite a difference to the already-cheated farmers. Said the Mayor:

"This is not only disappointing and shocking, but it is chiseling in the very lowest sense of that contemptible word. What... prompts the reduction of the price (to the farmers) after it has been collected from the consumers? It looks like the consumers are paying and the farmers are not getting it. I call upon the U. S. Department of Agriculture to explain."

Long ago, as has been pointed out by the Daily Worker, the Borden-Sheffield trust has

become a menace to the farmers, consumers, and to the people generally. It holds almost unchallenged power of life or death over the babies of the city's common people. It callously wields the power whichever way suits its golden profits, and it is profiteering with a vengeance.

The proposals at the milk hearing by I. Begun, Communist councilman candidate in the Bronx, for amending the milk order are vital to protect farmers and consumers. Among other excellent proposals, he urged the elimination of the trust-aiding classification system price, and the institution of a flat price system based on the cost of milk production to farmers. He urged democratic voting for the farmers, and representation on the milk administration for farmers, labor and consumers.

This latest highway robbery by the trusts shows how badly the Department of Justice needs to step in to investigate and clean out the law-breaking profiteering of milk barons. And just as labor and consumers united to bring about the recent strike victory of the farmers, that same solidarity should bestir itself now to safeguard the fruits of that hard-won triumph.

A Little Story for Every American

Acting under the inspiration of the Dies Committee, the giant Westinghouse plant in Turtle Creek, Pa., decided it would bar the Communist Party from holding meetings outside its gate. These meetings had come to be looked forward to by the employees, especially in the midst of the present Tory war-mongering and confusion. So the company bullied the Borough Council into seeking a ban on the meetings, on the ground that the Party was an "un-American" organization.

But the Party took the offensive with a leaflet giving the lie to this slander, publicizing its full program, and pointing out that Westinghouse's efforts were un-American attacks on civil liberties. The workers rallied and civil liberties won out. Simultaneously another victory was won when the School Board was forced to grant the use of a high school to the Communist Party after it had been previously denied. One member of the board (three were members elected with labor support) declared that the Constitution provides free speech to all Americans including the Communists.

Moral: Turtle Creek has set an example in the unity of the people in fighting for civil rights and in stopping the local Dies red-baiters in their tracks.

The Polish Jews Trample On the 'Daily Forward'

Here's one that Mr. Abe Cahan of the Jewish Daily Forward and Mr. Louis Waldman of the ALP will have a hard time explaining away—

Almost a million Polish Jews—between 500,000 and 1,000,000 the Associated Press reported yesterday—are eager to be admitted into the Soviet Union. Another 100,000 in Byalystok want to get into Vilna now that it has been restored to Lithuania and now that Lithuania has the protection of the Soviet Union.

This army of Jewish people wants freedom, security, equal rights as citizens. It knows where to get it. This great population of Polish Jews doesn't read the Jewish Daily Forward in whose columns the shameless liars working for Mr. Cahan echo the gutter press of the White Guards in descriptions of imaginary horrors of life in the USSR. Not having the benefit of Mr. Cahan's and Mr. Waldman's first-hand information, collected from Father Coughlin and others, the Polish Jews, RIGHT ON THE SCENE WHERE THEY CAN JUDGE FOR THEMSELVES, are clamoring for citizenship in the land of Socialism.

And what will the hypocrites now say who shed such crocodile tears some months back about the Soviet Union "closing its gates to the Jewish refugees?"

Will these hypocrites now cheer the welcome which the Soviet Union is giving to these oppressed Jewish masses, opening its arms in protection and liberation?

They will do nothing of the sort, these phony "friends" of the Jewish people whose only real emotion is deadly anti-Soviet hatred and nothing else.

But the Polish Jews know who their friend is. And their real friend is glad to admit them to a new Socialist world.

Flying Submarines

It seems that anybody at anytime can stand up and announce that "submarines" have been sighted off American shores.

Last week, Rep. Buell, chairman of the House Military Affairs Committee, declared that "at least six" foreign subs were known to be operating in the Caribbean. Whereupon, Admiral William Leahy announced from Puerto Rico that these subs had been manufactured in the vivid imaginations of the story tellers. "Before it is through, they will be seen flying over towns," he added.

The next time some one "sights" a submarine off our shores, let's find out whether it is a real one or the kind that "flies over towns."

FLIGHT TO FREEDOM

--by Ellis



NEWS ITEM: Jewish refugees flee area occupied by Nazis in former Polish territory. The Red Army is receiving the refugees cordially and providing work for them.

An Editorial

The Darcy Case --- a Danger Signal

Gov. Olson's signing of extradition papers for Sam Darcy, Secretary of the Eastern Pennsylvania Communist Party, is a danger signal for labor and progressives throughout the country.

The flimsy technical allegations against Darcy show that the whole charge is a trumped-up excuse for furthering the Tory war-time drive against labor. The extradition papers are based upon alleged errors in an election certificate which Darcy filed five years ago in the 1934 California elections.

Even if the errors were made, they would be such as are commonly made in election campaigns.

Besides Darcy has been openly working in various parts of the country, vigorously championing the cause of labor and the people, for the last five years. He has spoken at about 75 publicly advertised meetings, and has maintained public offices. Yet no move was made to "get" him during these five years. Now, under cover of the war-hysteria, the Tory war-mongers and open shoppers think they can get away with something they dared not do for the last five years.

It was hoped that the progressive Governor of California would not become a party

to this reactionary move. The move to "get" Darcy is obviously inspired by the campaign of the red-baiting Dies Committee to "get" labor and to "get" the Bill of Rights. In fact, the hearing in Philadelphia to set bail for Darcy brought out that Edward Francis Sullivan, Dies Committee stoopigee, anti-Semite and labor spy, instigated the whole thing. Sullivan turned out to be such a foul number that even the Dies outfit had to get rid of him.

It appears to be a coincidence that Gov. Olson released Warren Billings on the same day that he signed the papers to jail Darcy. But progressives will be disturbed. For they see brewing all around them the same reactionary war hysteria that framed Billings and Tom Mooney—they see its clutches now reaching for Darcy.

Labor and progressives throughout the country should speak out against this brazen frame-up. Everyone who wants to stop the present war-hysteria, and who treasures peace and democratic liberties should raise his voice. Wire Gov. Arthur H. James, Harrisburg, Pa., today urging him not to sign the Darcy extradition papers.

Letters from Our Readers

Thanks Gurley Flynn for Her Exposure of Informer Gitlow

Providence, R. I.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Three cheers and a hearty handshake to Comrade Gurley Flynn for her article on Gitlow. I am one with Comrade Flynn in her deep disgust for one that turns stool pigeon for the Palmer's of 1938.

It goes to prove how correct the Party was in sorting out all the scum that parades now before Dies, ready to receive the medal from the worst enemies of labor.

It gives us more confidence in Party leadership and more determination to fight the stooges of Capital, the "ultra-revolutionists."

CHAS. SCHWARTZ.

'Gutter Politicians'

New York City.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Fascism has always been heralded by the destruction and abolition of all labor unions, labor clubs and labor organizations.

Are we going to let reaction's mouthpiece, the demagogue Rep. Martin Dies, drag our civil liberties into the gutters?

Gutter politicians like Martin Dies must not be allowed to represent true Americans in a democratic, constitutional body as our U. S. Congress.

The AMERICAN MAP was made by those who came from all over the world because they refused to live under the yoke of despotism of the old world.

Then why must we copy bigotry, instead of humanity and progress?

J. J. WHITE.

'Tragedy Into Farce'

Bronx, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The A.L.P. clique of dictators in expelling those who disagree with them are repeating the old S.P. which expelled the left wing from its ranks.

Marx wrote that "history repeats itself, first as tragedy, then as farce." The Old Guard, Lovestones and their stooges are headed for a fall. This "time isolation" due to a falling off of a membership out of organization will not take place. But a bigger and better A.L.P. around the Mike Quills and progressives. A Mike Quill victory will turn tragedy into farce as the "Rosebuds" get plucked.

MARSHALL WERSHAW.

Grateful for Clarity in Exposing Enemies of People

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Grateful for your clarity in exposing the enemies of the people, we send this dollar to you. May this and future contributions aid in your campaign to keep America out of the imperialist war and to prevent war profiteers from destroying our civil liberties and halt their bleeding Americans for their ever increasing profits.

Walt Whitman Jr. Branch Y.C.L.

IMPERIALISM AND WAR

The Daily Worker, in printing the following excerpt from the "History of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union" on the causes of imperialist war, inaugurates a new feature.

We will provide our readers every day with an excerpt from the basic writings of Communist literature which throw light on the present war crisis and its developments. We hope that our readers will be encouraged to get the full text of these writings and study them as the Marxist-Leninist guide to the problems of the hour.

EDITOR'S NOTE.

"Lenin had pointed out that war is an inevitable concomitant of capitalism. ... Wars became inevitable particularly when, at the end of the nineteenth century and the beginning of the twentieth century, capitalism definitely entered the highest and last stage of its development—imperialism. Under imperialism the powerful capitalist associations (monopolies) and the banks acquired a dominant position in the life of the capitalist states. Finance capital became

World Front

By HARRY GANNES

The Issue of "Peace or War"

Narrows Dangerously—

Aims of Paris and London Regimes

The refusal of the Anglo-French side yet to take any serious steps to discuss and work for peace is rapidly changing the character of what the N. Y. Herald Tribune complains is "a curious war."

Perceptibly the degree of slaughter increases. Will it soon reach the point where peace cannot be retrieved without the murder of from ten to thirty million people? Are the Chamberlain and Daladier regimes of evil omen bent on attempting to continue this war, gambling on the Anglo-French imperialist victory?

Having nurtured fascism as a possible destroyer of the Soviet Union, and having brought the Munich catastrophe upon the world, the Anglo-French regimes are capable of the most monstrous deeds.

As the armed truce rapidly develops into a more bloody phase, the desire of the people of the world for peace—for a halt to the imperialist carnage—grows enormously.

In Great Britain peace sentiments have reached the stage of peace conferences. In other words, the movement for peace is reaching the stage of organization. It is in its elementary stage, it is true, with the outstanding Labor Party leaders still whooping it up for the imperialist war. Yet the cry for peace becomes ever louder. The struggles of the British workers against being crushed and impoverished by the burdens of this imperialist war are a factor for peace which should not be underestimated.

From France I have just received a recent edition of a news service telling of the failure really to split and destroy the trade union movement. The table of contents of this document contained an item reading, "The C. G. T.—General Confederation of Labor—remains united." However, the story itself had been deleted by the war censor.

The Nazis have been compelled to sue for peace. The German people do not want war. A continuation of this carnage would mean the slaughter of millions of German people who have been the victims of German fascism which has been bolstered, financed and encouraged by Anglo-French imperialism.

Each day's events emphasizes that the Chamberlain and Daladier war cabinets are attempting to assert their world domination, and especially are scheming and striving to involve the United States in this expanding slaughter.

Moreover, the conspirators of Munich who brought the world to its present pass by their anti-Soviet plottings are now striving to bring pressure on Germany to purchase "peace" by assuming the role of anti-Soviet gendarme. This is behind the Anglo-French intrigues in Turkey and Finland.

Showing the understanding of the role of Anglo-French imperialism in this war and a rarer expression of it exemplified Senator D. Worth Clark's address in the Senate embargo-lifting debate Monday. Branding the Chamberlain and Daladier governments as the original instigators of Hitler and the destroyers of small nations to fight Hitler eastward, Senator Clark said: "It ill-behooves England and France, with their record of persecutions within their own borders to now refuse to at least treat for peace."

"Is it not time a stop was put to this bloody game on the chessboards of Europe being played by modern Talleyrands, Richelieus and Henry VIII's?"

It must be granted that it would be a bitter pill for the French and British ruling gangs to swallow to make peace with the realization that (a) their Munich conspiracy against the Soviet Union had ignominiously failed; (b) the Soviet Union is immensely stronger and less assailable than ever; (c) the Nazi regime has been unable to perform the main function designated for it by the Tory enemies of mankind; (d) the American people are not anxious to be the chestnut-savers for the British Empire; (e) in present relations, world imperialism as a whole has been weakened and the might of the British and French empires is no longer supreme.

We should keep this in mind: Chamberlain's stalling on peace is creating a situation where there can be no turning back from the bloodiest slaughter, and most senseless, mankind has ever imagined.

There is yet time for peace. The great majority of the people in all countries want an end to this imperialist war. Sections of the bourgeoisie consider peace as the best retreat. The last word in behalf of peace has not been spoken. Nevertheless, there is a rising refusal on the part of the Anglo-French imperialists to recognize when they have been licked by their own contradictions. Persistence on this course would spell disaster for mankind.

Will the reactionaries in this country meet the prospects of a world arising by their hypocritical and dangerous tunes about "lifting the embargo?"

The issue of "peace or war" is swiftly narrowed. The people are insistent in their demand that there be peace. If the blood-stained "statesmen" of the world do not work for peace, the people will find a way.

master in the capitalist states. Finance capital demanded new markets, the seizure of new colonies, new fields for the export of capital, new sources of raw material.

"But by the end of the nineteenth century the whole territory of the globe had already been divided up among the capitalist states. Yet in the era of imperialism the development of capitalism proceeds extremely unevenly and by leaps; some countries, which previously held a foremost position, now develop their industry at a relatively slow rate, while others, which were formerly backward, overtake and outstrip them by rapid leaps. The relative economic and military strength of the imperialist states was undergoing a change. There arose a striving for a redivision of the world, and the struggle for this redivision made imperialist war inevitable. The war of 1914 was a war for the redivision of the world and of spheres of influence. All the imperialist states had long been preparing for it. The imperialists of all countries were responsible for the war."

History of the C. P., S. U. (B), pp. 160-161.

'Three Sisters' Aby Done by Surry Players

THREE SISTERS, by Anton Chekhov. Directed by Samuel Rosen in his own acting version from an original translation by Bernard G. Cournay. Setting by Johannes Larsen. Costumes by Lucinda Ballard. Presented by the Surry Theatre Company, Longacre, 4815 Street.

By Abel Gorham

Anton Chekhov died in 1904, too early to see the culmination of the growing revolutionary movement in old Russia. But "Three Sisters" proves beyond any doubt that he was aware of the utter decay, the helplessness of the upper middle-class, crushed between desires which they could not satisfy and a uselessness which they could not avoid.

"Three Sisters" was written about twenty years before the October Revolution which wiped out the contagious putrefaction of a class that had outlived its need or its value. Chekhov was not a Marxist, but despite his failure to see the basic reason for the decline of a system of neo-Feudalism, he was able because of his sensitivity, intelligence, and humaneness to analyze the diseased condition with clinical exactness.

"Future Day This Life Will Seem Stupid"

Chekhov himself probably was speaking through the character Vershinin (the army officer who is quarantined in the town and who brings a bit of life to the otherwise dull routine existence of the provincial sisters) when he said, "In some future day this life of ours will seem stupid." Another character exclaims "We're unhappy, because we don't know what work is." And again "Life is short and the devil with it." And then Andrei, the once ambitious youth, years for the day when his life will consist of more than "... gossip, cards, vodka, and litigation."

A great living writer has described the intuitive uneasiness which plays feel when they are about to be converted into more useful products. They squeal, and run about aimlessly. Chekhov, with his warm affection for all human beings would probably feel hurt at the analogy, though one cannot help but see a similarity between the hogs and these characters who nervously fret at their very being as though they too anticipated their swift ending.

Present Interesting, Moving Performance

The Surry Theatre has presented an interesting and moving performance. The direction of Samuel Rosen is a work of feeling and perception. At best, Chekhov is difficult.

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Gilbert and Sullivan fans will turn their dials to WQXR at 7 o'clock tonight. On the same station at 10:10 P. M. Elie Siegmeister will conduct the American Singers in the third concert of American folk songs. Tonight's program deals with work songs.

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WQXR—Breakfast Symphony
WMCA—News
7:45-WQXR—Morning News Report
7:55-WJZ—U. S. News
8:00-WOR—Trans-Radio News
WNYC—Monitor Views the News
WEAF—A. P. News
WJZ—News from Europe
8:10-WNYC—World's Fair Calendar
8:15-WNYC—New York State Employment Service
8:25-WNYC—Consumer's Guide
8:30-WJZ—U. S. P. News
WOR—World's Fair Reporter
8:45-WNYC—News
WNYC—News Around New York
WABC—Woman's Page of the Air
9:00-WQXR—Condensed News
WJZ—A. P. News
WHOM—Polish Hour
WQXR—Composers' Hour
9:00-WQXR—Masterwork Hour
9:05-WQXR—News About Women
WJZ—Woman of Tomorrow
9:15-WABC—American School of the Air, Science
9:30-WJZ—Breakfast Symphony
9:45-WNYC—U. S. P. News
10:00-WNYC—"Your Child"
10:15-WNYC—Board of Education Program, Italian
10:45-WQXR—"Monitor Views the News"
11:00-WNYC—News; Latest Food Prices
WQXR—Hour of Request Music
11:30-WABC—Lennie Ross Songs
11:30-WOR—"Keep Fit to Music"
11:45-WNYC—"You and Your Health"
AFTERNOON
12:00-WNYC—U. S. P. News
WNYC—Organ Recital from Temple of Religion at the Fair
12:15-WNEW—David Love, News of Stage and Screen
WMCA—News
12:25-WJZ—U. S. P. News
12:30-WOR—Trans-Radio News
WNYC—Midday Symphony
WJZ—"Microphone in the Sky," Interviews from Aloha Empire State Building
WJZ—National Farm-Homes Hour
12:45-WQXR—Condensed News
WOR—Consumer's Guide
1:45-WNYC—Board of Education Program, English Literature
WMCA—News
2:00-WJZ—Music for Young Listeners, with Mary Van Doren
WNYC—News
WCN—Daily Sports Predictions
2:35-WNYC—Opera Hour
2:45-WNYC—U. S. P. News
WCN—1500—Spring Club
2:45-WQXR—WABC—News
2:50-WJZ—"Organ of the Divorced"
2:55-WJZ—"Growing Pains"
3:30-WOV—1130—"Little Red School House," WFA Program
WABC—News
3:45-WNYC—News
4:00-WNYC—Concert by the Trilena, Official World's Fair Band Under the Direction of Joseph Lillian
WOR—Trans-Radio News
WJZ—Club Matinee
WQXR—Music of the Moment
WABC—Time Out for Dancing
4:30-WQXR—Hour of Symphonic Music
WEAF—"Vic and Sade"
4:45-WNYC—Board of Education Program, High School Science
5:00-WQXR—WABC—News
WNYC—Concert Orchestra
5:30-WQXR—Young People's Concert in Cooperation with New York Public

"Library"
WNYC—Negro Art Singers
8:45-WOR—"The Adventures of Pinocchio"
WJZ—U. S. P. News
WCN—Talking Over the News
EVENING
6:00-WQXR—Luther-Lehman Singers
WOR—Uncle Don
WJZ—U. S. P. News
WNYC—Chronological News Summary of the Day
WQXR—Music to Remember
6:05-WJZ—Dance Music
WQXR—Homestead Newspapers
6:15-WQXR—A. P. News
WNYC—World's Fair Reporter
WABC—Uncle Jonathan
6:20-WQXR—John Lardner's Sports Talk
WJZ—News from Europe
WEAF—Stamp Talk, Capt. Healey
WABC—H. V. Kallenborn Edits the News
WQXR—Classical Music
6:45-WQXR—Dance Music
WABC—Today in Europe
WJZ—Dick Fishall Sports Resume
7:00-WQXR—Gilbert and Sullivan Hour
WEAF—Musicalizing, Waiting Orch.
WOR—Sian Lomax, Sports Review
WJZ—Easy Easy
7:15-WQXR—"Fire-Side Final"
WABC—"I Love a Mystery"
WJZ—"Mr. Kenna, Tracer of Lost Persons"
WABC—"Lum and Abner"
7:30-WQXR—"The Reckless, Male Quartet"
WJZ—"One of the Finest"
WNYC—George Hamilton Combs, News Comment
WABC—George Burns and Gracie Allen
7:45-WQXR—Johannes Steel, News Comment
8:00-WQXR—Radio Playhouse, Herbert Marshall and Guest
WOR—Eddie Duane's Band
WJZ—"The Strange Years"
WABC—Al Pierce and His Gang
WJZ—Recorded Dance Music
WQXR—Symphony Hall
WEVD—Byron Oliver, Commentator
8:30-WABC—Fast Whiteman's Orchestra
WOR—Recorded Version of Adventures of Sherlock Holmes
WEAF—Aviation Time
WJZ—"Quicksilver"
8:45-WQXR—Fred Allen, Joe Louis, Guest
WABC—Star Theatre, Edward Everett Horton and Louise Watson
WJZ—"Master's Voice"
WNYC—"There's a Law Against It"
WJZ—Horse and Bugger Days
WEVD—Weekly Editorial Debate
8:50-WQXR—Confederated Spanish Societies
WOR—Cosmopolitan
WJZ—Dance Music
WQXR—Quality Music
10:00-WQXR—Elie Siegmeister Conducts the American Singers in the Third Concert of American Folk Songs; This Week's Program Deals with Work Songs
WOR—Layman's Gram Swing, News Commentator
WEAF—Ray Kyer's Musical College
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WABC—Columbia Symphony Orchestra
WOR—Pulitzer Lewis, News from Washington
10:30-WQXR—News WOR—Dance Music
WQXR—Music of Beethoven
10:45-WQXR—Family Problems
WJZ—U. S. P. News
11:00-WQXR—Amateur Night in Harlem
WEAF—U. S. P. News
WABC—News Review
WQXR—Just Music
11:45-WNYC—U. S. P. News
12:00-WQXR—News
WEVD—Symphonic Hour
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A Unique Gallery of Social Art

ACA Has Aided Artists in Fight For Recognition

By Hugh J. Riddell

When the history of Modern American Art is written a separate page will be reserved for the distinctive part played by the A.C.A. Gallery. It has done more in a social sense for American art and artists than any other institution or any one individual.

Young artists, without reputation, had neither a place to exhibit their work nor a market before 1932. Whatever young and unknown talents there were, sought expression and exhibited as best they could. They gathered at the John Reed Club or at Provincetown or at Woodstock or in Greenwich Village to discuss both art and their troubles. Little of their work saw light of public exhibition and then not in any of the established galleries cluttering 57th Street.

The uptown galleries were looking for artists with reputations and means who could afford to pay for exhibiting their work. The others had to display their work outdoors or at special occasions where they might find a stray buyer. Their work was not brought to the attention of the buying public and for the most part the buying public was not interested in unknown art. They obviously were taking their lead from their class prototypes, seeking investment rather than artistic accomplishment.

How the ACA Gallery Was Born

Many people were aware of this state of affairs, but there was only one who took the plight of this group of artists seriously enough to do anything about it. This person was Herman Baron, founder and director of the A.C.A. Gallery. He had no special means. He was a writer himself, editing a trade journal and was interested in social art. He met many of this group of artists, knew their work and recognized their need—an outlet to a market and very often a meal. Finally in 1932 he set up his first gallery at 91st Street and Madison Avenue, just around the corner of Park Avenue. His show of social art was different and he was convinced that even if it didn't sell it would attract wide interest.

Reactions of the spectators naturally differed, but in this instance, the response was indeed a surprise. The critics dutifully circulated around the show and left the gallery with the label "propaganda" firmly and assertively stamped on their minds, while the Park Avenue ladies, in search of "art," were simply horrified by a lynch scene and didn't bother to see the whole show. They had seen enough.

Lynchings and breadlines and slums, in their estimation, were subjects for tabloids not canvases. But most of these young men, depriving themselves of careers and commercial opportunities, would not bother if they had to confine their expression to still lifes of fruit and genteel portraits of elegant ladies, when life itself moved them more. Attendance was poor uptown and Baron decided to change his location. He moved down to 52 West 8th Street, where his gallery is still situated. Just about this time certain social changes were taking place in the country which affected the status of the artist. WPA and



"Artist and Director," by William Gropper. The artist is the well-known Joe Jones of St. Louis. Painting is a famous Gropper exhibited recently at the A.C.A. Gallery. At left, Herman Baron of the A.C.A.



"English Gentleman," by Enrico Glicenstein, now on exhibit at the A.C.A. Gallery.

PWA projects provided work for the artists. Previously they set up the Artists' Committee for Action at the John Reed Club to articulate the artists' case. From the projects the Artists' Union was formed and combined with the committee. Hugo Gellert, William Gropper, Stuart Davis and others were some of the moving spirits in these developments, assisted later by Joe Jones. Baron published a magazine called Art Forum, which he turned over to the Artists' Union. It was renamed "Art Front" and remained their voice till it affiliated with the CIO.

It took some time before the A.C.A. Gallery could get a different hearing from the critics. That word "propaganda" was anathema and the critics seemed to have not only hard heads but peculiarly retentive memories. Efforts were made to convince this clan that they were unjustly condemning a whole body of sound art work.

Joe Jones, Artist, Comes to Town

About this time a boy dropped into New York from St. Louis with a load of canvases, demanding a hearing in the art world. He had spent a lot of time painting houses with his father during the day and devoted evenings to art. He was Joe Jones. He took his work around from gallery to gallery and was turned down because of the content of his paintings. They were social, vital and depicted life as the depression affected the farmer, the slum dweller and the people he knew, working people.

Jones came to the A.C.A. gallery and asked for a hearing. Baron looked at his work and gave Joe his first one-man show in New York. His exhibit was a sensation in 1935 and even the critics warmed to Jones' paintings despite their stark content. Social changes reflected in the New Deal and had a great deal to do with the warmer reaction. Seeing this, Baron urged Gropper to prepare a one-man show for the gallery, which was put on one year later than Jones' show. It too proved very successful. Other shows followed with work exhibited by Louis Ribok, the three Soyars, Tschobasov, Kunyoshi, Harry Gottlieb, Glintenkamp, Abraham Harriet, Dan Rice, Orozco, Tromka, Art Young, Soriano, Weber and a hundred others.

Since the successes of the A.C.A. many uptown galleries began accepting art with "social significance." They saw that a market could be created for such work. One uptown gallery dropped its charge for exhibiting work. The A.C.A. is still the only gallery that does not have artists under contract. In addition it accepts merely 25 per cent commission for the work sold while exhibited in its rooms, whereas most other galleries charge 35 per cent.

Recently Hearst started a "Sanity in Art" campaign. Hearst took his cue from a wealthy lady, Mrs. Frank Logan of Chicago, who wrote a book purporting to attack "degenerate art," but which in reality is directed against art with social content. Hearst in his vulgar and vengeful manner compares art to the production of furniture and says that bad art is a fraud and bad artists are criminals and should be "prosecuted like anyone else who commits a similar offense."

The A.C.A. Gallery answered this slander with a recent exhibit. There was a great deal of work from the abstractionists whose paintings are not always easily understood. But Baron's show, as stated in the catalogue, is a defense of the artists' democratic right of self-expression, notwithstanding the objections of the Hearsts and Logans incapable of comprehending these paintings. At the same time a set

Lester Cohen to Give Course in Novel at Writers' School

Noted Author Answers Various Questions About It. The Questioner, Being a Blunt Man, Got Right to the Point:

Q—Mr. Cohen, have you ever written a novel?
A—Yes, three.
Q—What were they?
A—Sweepings, The Great Bear, Aaron Traut.
Q—Anything else?
A—Yes, a book about the world, called Two Worlds. And a play, called Oscar Wilde.
Q—Have you done any other sorts of writing?
A—Yes, various pictures and magazines.
Q—What pictures?
A—Sweepings, from my own novel, the film version of Of Human Bondage, and a good many more.
Q—Now you're going to teach a course at the Writers' School?
A—Yes.
Q—In what?
A—The novel. It's a writing course—a laboratory workshop course.
Q—To whom is the class open?
A—Anybody that's interested.
Q—What do you hope to achieve?
A—I hope to help some people with the novels they are already writing.
Q—Suppose some of the people aren't writing novels?
A—If they intend to, I would like to help them get along.
Q—Is the course open to those who aren't writing novels, and don't intend to?
A—Yes, but they will likely get less out of it.
Q—Will there be any discussion of the novel in general?
A—Yes, as occasioned by those who want criticism, discussion, advice.
Q—When does the course start?
A—Wednesday, Oct. 18.
Q—Where will it be held?
A—At the Writers' School, 381 Fourth Ave.
Q—With whom do the arrangements have to be made?
A—Nan Golden, of the League of American Writers, 381 Fourth Ave., N.Y.C.
The American Artists Group announce the publication of "And He Sat Among the Ashes" the first biography of Louis M. Blumenthal, the artist who for the past half-century has been a controversial figure in the world of art. The author, William Schack, contributor to Parnassus, the Arts, Creative Art, and similar journals spent five years in preparation of the volume. The book is illustrated by 58 reproductions of the artist's paintings, water-colors and drawings, many of which hang in the leading museums and private collections of the country, although the artist, now seventy-five, never sold a picture of any importance until less than ten years ago.

Lester Cohen, noted novelist and screen writer.

Fine Acting, But Poor History in 'Rasputin'

RASPUTIN, a French film directed by Marcel L'Herbier. Featuring Harry Baur, Marcel Chantal, Pierre Richard-Willms and Jean Worms. Music by Milhaud. A Max Oleson production. Released by Concord Films. At the 56th St. Playhouse.

By David Platt

Harry Baur, one of the finest of French actors, gives a magnificent performance as "Rasputin." The crafty Russian mujik whose degrading practices while advisor to the late unlamented Tsar and Tsarina symbolized the monstrous decadence of the entire imperialist court in the years before the Russian Revolution.

Rasputin as conceived by Alfred Neumann and played by Baur is an unmitigated scoundrel who played on the superstitions and prejudices of the most backward elements of society. Rasputin's room in the palace is shown as a refuge for bored and licentious women on the one hand and swindlers and crooks on the other. He is shown frequently staggering with a bottle of vodka. Sent into exile he nibbles on a carrot, surrounded by six women in various stages of undress. During an orgy he assails the politicians and the generals. Feeling better he gives a packet of roubles to a hungry man. In his more lucid moments he prophesies the destruction of the tsarist regime. Rasputin cures a young girl possessed by demons and wins the heart of the Tsarina by helping the Tsarevich who is suffering from a spontaneous bleeding disease inherited from centuries of decadent living of his ancestors.

Rasputin is presented with more or less historical accuracy, although his position in the imperialist court circles has been exaggerated by bourgeois historians and by the film too. It would have been more correct to have shown that the Tsar's real advisors were the British and French capitalists and not Rasputin who saw in war a possible end to his mesmeric powers over the Tsarina. Rasputin is real enough in the film but the other members of the ruling family are viewed through rose-colored glasses. The bloody tsarist regime that history

records is nowhere in evidence. Rasputin is a "holy devil" but the Tsar, the Tsarina, the grand dukes and the generals are very nice people. Although "Rasputin" is a very well produced and directed film the whole truth is never told. The assassination of Rasputin is a remarkable bit of movie craftsmanship, but it leaves many questions unanswered.

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THE PRESSURE BOYS, by Kenneth G. Crawford. Julian Messner, Inc. 81.

Reviewed by Ben Burns

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Marmy Has a Press Interview

By DEL

(Fish Storying for Lester Rodney)

As soon as the pungent odor of stale fish assailed my nostrils I knew I had arrived at my destination. It was here that Marmaduke of the movies, formerly of the ocean bed, was to grant an interview to the metropolitan press.

The door burst open and disclosed a room swarming with newspaper people rather nervously gazing up at the mountainous sea-serpent facing them. Anyone who thinks it's duck soup to interview twenty tons of fish looking right at you has another guess coming. However, the boys and girls opened right up and popped the questions.

"Mr. Marmaduke," said Miss Luella Parsnip who is a famous screen writer, "aren't you challenging FATE when you defy CARRER JINX? And who is your DREAM PRINCESS? May I quote you as saying you constantly dream about Ann Sheridan?"

Here were some momentous questions. The reporters craned their necks and cupped their ears for the answer but the monster sighed, settled his huge bulk into the approved position of super boredom, and said nothing. The suspense was terrific. I fought my way to his side and whispered to him to answer. "Don't have to," he replied. "She writes her own."

"Don't you think that what the world needs today is a sense of humor?" asked the whimsical person from the New Yorker magazine. He too got no answer.

"How about some witty and profound commentary on the burning issues of the day?" said the man from the Times. Marmaduke brightened up considerably at this, and with a sidelong glance at the New Yorker plexid said, "Now that's a sensible request. If the public wanted a lot of stale gags, threadbare jokes and antiquated anecdotes they would read Rodney and Ketchup with Kurman."

"The trouble with your paper," said Marmy turning to the Times man, "is that it's like eating artichokes—you gotta go through so much to get so little." The reporter got the point like he'd sat on a tack. He was flustered and said, "I know the news is print to fit and not vice-versa."

"You catch on like the landlubber on pay-day," said the super snake, and the Times man looked pleased at the compliment. Then the Times man asked what had been the outstanding sport event this year and Marmaduke immediately replied that it was something which had been completely overlooked by every sport expert in the business.

"I mean," he said as he struck a fighting pose, "the amazing exhibition of MARATHON shadow-boxing when those British and



French brass-hats went to Moscow in the early spring, started sparring with shadows, and were still at it when they were shipped home months and months later."

Someone ventured the remark that they had been under orders from the biggest of statesmen but the monster just snorted. He felt that the statesmen had acted more like a bunch of political stumble bums, and were a flop at acting Snow White and should start crooning the straw man's song in the Wizard of Oz. "If I Only Had a Brain!"

What about the activities of the Dies Committee? The Hearst tiger asked.

"Pediculous!" replied the super serpent. The reporter wanted to know what the word meant and Marmy said that between you and me and the frozen flounder he wasn't too sure what it meant.

It was suggested that the word could be looked up in the dictionary, but that was too much trouble because someone was sitting on it.

The whole thing was settled when it was pointed out that the dictionary was useless because it was one of those N. Y. Post things. You can't trust the Post to give you the proper meaning of anything everyone present agreed.

The questions then came thick and fast, and I realized that this sort of thing should never have started as Marmy has a low political boiling point. He's no mug-wump; that is, a person who has his mug on one side of the fence and his wump on the other.

I quickly changed the subject to what I hoped would be less dangerous ground and asked him his views on comic strips.

"Ah-h-h-h the dear old fannies," he replied, "all done in the spirit of good clean fun, and are they funny?" He referred of course to the blood and thunder adventure strips. "Funny, eh? Why they're dead serious—and I do mean dead—shootings, torture, slaughter and ANYTHING goes. Even amputations and transfusions. No wonder the kids can't sleep nights!"

"How about MONSTERS?" I asked, and quickly changed back to the other subject because we both started to blush like anything. I asked whether the swashbucklers have some good qualities.

"You bet. They are serving a useful purpose indeed. Parents need no longer explain the facts of life—the kids can see 'em. I've average comic strip heroine has more oomph than all the burlesque strippers rolled into one. Then there's Little Orphan Annie. She's a great help if you're poor because daily she orates that poverty is a pleasure."

The Daily News man stuck in his oar for his colleague and stuck out his neck:

"The cartoonist sincerely believes that poverty is a character builder and I admire his sincerity."

"Me too," said Marmy, "but it's tough on his kids if he's bringing them up in poverty." Everybody laughed except the Daily News man who said under his breath that when Marmy fell in love with himself it was a life-long romance. At this point the sea-serpent began to yawn and we all got the feeling that the interview was almost over, so I asked "What about your own career?"

"You may quote me as saying that I've had a past, I've got a present and I expect a future, unquote," he graciously replied.

Everyone turned to see who was posing the next question for it was the familiar voice of Magnificent Michael Gold. Mike wanted to stick in a plug for the shindig to be held on Saturday, October 21st in honor of Marmy's creator at the Bill Matons studio, 127 Columbus Avenue, for which he is to be the master of ceremonies, and the monster roared his displeasure. Mike was very apologetic and said that seeing that the receipts went to the Fund Drive he thought—

"You thought this is the Make-Believe Ballroom, that's what!" Marmy interrupted none too quietly. "Must my press conferences be marred by the sordid taint of commercialism?" Everybody was glad when he stopped roaring because, when he hollers, Marmy's mouth opens very wide and the place begins to smell like a fish market.

The final questioner was recognized by all present as a stooge for the Dies Committee. He was a big, dumb-looking clunk who pretended to be a newspaper man. He asked, "If you weren't Communist what would you be?"

A tense hush settled over the whole room broken only by the frantic scribbling of pencil on paper, the ticking of teletype, and the excited breathing of the newspapermen as they strained for the answer:

"I'd be ashamed of myself," said Marmy.

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Bucky Walters Named Most Valuable in NL

Ex-Infielder Won 27; Mize 2nd, Derringer 3rd

William Henry Walters, who never wanted to be a pitcher in the first place and who would go back to infelding tomorrow if the pay was the same, has been named the most valuable player in the National League for the 1938 season by a committee of 24 sports writers. It was announced yesterday.

Bucky Walters teamed up with Paul Derringer to pitch the Cincinnati Reds to their first National League pennant in 20 years. The Baseball Writers' Association committee composed of three sports writers from each National League city gave Walters a total of 303 points out of a possible 336.

Eighteen gave Walters first place, five awarded him second and the other one placed him fifth. Walters succeeds his teammates and battery companion, Ernie Lombardi, who won last year with 229 points.

Johnny Mize, St. Louis Cardinals' first baseman and National League batting champion with an average of .340, placed second with a total of 178 points.

Paul Derringer, who led the National League pitchers with 25 victories and 7 defeats for a percentage of .781, was third with 174 points.

First baseman Frank McCormick of the Reds, who led the league in driving in runs, finished fourth with 150 points.

Curt Davis, Cardinals' pitcher who won 22 games and lost 16, finished fifth with 106 points. He received no first place votes but had strong support for fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh places. Jimmy Brown, Cardinals' infielder, was the only other player to receive a first place vote, and finished sixth with 99 points.

Following these first six came: Joe Medwick, Cardinals, 81; Leo Durocher, Dodgers, 57; Harry Danning, Giants, 33; Luke Hamlin, Dodgers, 32; Mel Ott, Giants, 21; Bill Jurges, Giants, 20; Dolf Camilli, Dodgers, 20; Billy Meyers, Reds, 18; Stanley Hack, Cubs, 17; Augie Allen, Cubs, 15; Terry Moore, Cardinals, 15; Morris Aronovitch, Phillies, 10; and scattering points for 14 others.

Walters, who won 27 games and lost 11, led the league in victories, in innings pitched with 319 and in complete games with 31. He struck out 136 men and walked 109.

In many ways Walters' career is one of the most remarkable in baseball. He is the greatest converted pitcher in the history of the game. He came up as a third baseman. But was persuaded by Jimmy Wilson, then manager of the Phillies, to turn to pitching because Walters put more stuff on a throw from third to first than some of the players Wilson had in camp under the disguise of pitchers. Walters was opposed to Wilson's idea but agreed to try it because the Phils' manager emphasized "there was gold in them there pitching hills." Walters started his pitching career in 1935 with the Phils for whom he won 9 games that season.

WHAT'S ON

Tonight

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ALONG FISTIC ROW

Frankie Kid Bruno, rejuvenated Greenpoint southpaw, faces rugged Babe Orgovan in the feature eight at the Jamaica Arena tonight...

Fred Henneberry, Australian middle champ, is in town and anxious for a title clash with Cefere Garcia...

Pat Comiskey, Paterson's youthful belting heavyweight, added another kyo to his string when he belted out clever Joe Hill, dear mule from California, in the eighth at Washington, D. C.

Johnny Bellus, Polish slugger, faces Tommy Spiegel, game Uniontown, Pa. lightweight in one of three eight-rounders on a benefit program at the Coliseum next Friday night...

They are going to have a tough time keeping Jackie Robinson off any All-Things when they do the counting up. He already has the spotlights in the Pacific Northwest and San Francisco Bay area roasting for him...

It seems that the old football hoodoo still works. As the legend has it all a coach needs to do is to have a ghost-written piece appear under his by-line or an article in a slick magazine appear about his career as a master mind and zowie! on the coming Saturday he is a cinch to get it...

We've written about that great Trojan team and its reserve strength plenty. But as yet we don't recall having said much about the Trobables, the SC Frosh. In which case perhaps we'd better say right here and now that the Frosh are terrific. We've seen them three times and they're always won impressively...

Against the Stanford fresh we know we spotted two future All-Americans in Briscoe a fullback and Biecker a former All-City back at quarter... Incidentally the full strength of El Trojans becomes more apparent when these figures are released. From both passing and running Troy scored 223 yards to but 46 for the Illini. We commented on their Master Ehl's punting in that game. The Zupke kicker averaged 42.3 for his afternoon's work...

As the result of all those dumpings on Saturday the Farrell batting average is now down to .829. I guess the way to keep the figures high is to select nothing but sucker games—the kind of football that is played in the East. (The California Chauvinist will out.) But that's not much fun. The tougher they are the better we like them. Says who? Not me!

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NYU '11' Thinks It Can Beat Carnegie Tech

Confident That Latent Power Shown in Carolina Defeat Will Take Last Year's Easter Champs—LIU Busy

By Stan Kurman
They're betting on a long-shot at NYU. And without ifs or buts, they'll tell you that the Violet gridders are going to conk Carnegie Tech, '38 champs and right up there again, at the Yankee Stadium Saturday.

Luckman Now Ace Blocker!

Cleaves Way for Carriers in Chicago Bear Backfield

Syd Luckman, local boy, whose brilliant passing, running and kicking for four years at Columbia made him one of the country's outstanding stars, is blocking for the Chicago Bears, who meet the Giants at the Polo Grounds Sunday. Here's what Bo Molenda, who scouted the Bears for the Giants, says:

"The Bears are starting a line that will outweigh us 18 pounds to the man and it's not a slow line either. In the backfield will be Bernie Masterson at quarterback, with Sid Luckman and Ray Nolting, halfbacks and Joe Maniaci, fullback. This backfield has been running from a T formation a great deal with Luckman the man in motion and blocking a great deal for Maniaci, which helps account for the fact that Joe has gained 370 yards in five league games to top the circuit. Masterson is an exceptional passer and has completed 27 in 54 attempts to gain 556 yards and thrown five touchdown passes too. Occasionally Luckman will run from a semi-punt formation and he is really dangerous then."

"If that backfield slows up George Halas can throw Bill Osmanski in at fullback with Bob MacLeod to run outside. Billy Patterson of Baylor to throw and Solie Sherman of Chicago U. as quarterback."

LIU IN FINAL DRILL
Final practice for the first out-of-town game will be held today by unbeaten, untied and unscored on LIU. The Beemen are counting on a couple of late arrivals to help out in the scrum with powerful Bradley Tech at Peoria Saturday. John Decker of Jamaica and Ken Ehlers, of the Bee wonder five, have just reported and will change the picture considerably. As both Decker and Ehlers are ends, Dolly King, who brilliantly played has been one of the important factors in the LIU string, may move into the backfield. It was as a back King made headlines with the Hamilton High eleven.

MANHATTAN PREPS FOR AUBURN
Coach Herb Kopf isn't worried about his charges putting up a fine showing against Auburn at the Polo Grounds Saturday afternoon. But he'd hate to see a repetition of the Duquesne game when the badly outplayed Duke walked off winners. So Herb is emphasizing blocking and better ball-handling. Fumbles last week were costly and the blocking went sour downfield. On the bright side of Joe Migdal and Eddie Fay continue that brilliant ball-handling, Manhattan is due to come up on his right side against the strong Southerners.

Lucky to come out of that tilt against strong Scranton without any serious injuries, CCNY looks to ease sailing from here on with Susquehanna, due here Saturday, first of the normal small-team opponents. Captain Harry Stein, standout back in all three of the Beaver games, hurt his elbow in the Scranton game but will be set to go against the Crusaders. Incidentally Coach Benny Friedman says that Scranton is by far the best team CCNY has faced since the Albricht team of 1937 which included Dick Ruffe and Dodge Leo Disend, currently Pro grid stars.

They Don't Miss the Extra Point in Big 6
KANSAS CITY, Oct. 17 (UP).—The vital point after touchdown is monopolizing attention in the plains country this season and other football sectors might well take a lesson from Big Six conference teams which registered 10 touchdowns last Saturday and missed but one of the extra points.

Every team in the circuit except Iowa State has a reliable point kicker. The cyclones have been able to convert only two of five chances for extra point, and they are apparently destined for last place. In addition to the nine points after touchdown Saturday, Big Six teams kicked two field goals. Thus far, Oklahoma's quarterback, Dick Faver, has compiled the best record. He kicked the point that produced a 7-7 tie against Southern Methodist. He missed only one conversion in three tries and kicked a field goal to help beat Northwestern. And Saturday he "Batted" 1,000 against Texas with three extra points and a difficult field goal in four attempts.

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